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ITEMS OF INTEREST ABOUT TOWN

Happy New Year.

The public schools will open on
Monday.

Charles M. Witt of Hudson spent
Christmas in town.

H. F. Chase is in Maine on a
business trip.

Miss Margaret Lindsay spent part
of last week in Andover.

Miss Anna B. Abbott spent Christ-
mas in East Orange, N. J.

Miss Helen Whittemore was a
holiday visitor in Andover.

Harold Cole of Cambridge spent
Sunday among friends here.

Capt. George Nason of Roxbury
spent Christmas in Andover.

John W. Birnie, of New York City,
was a visitor in town over Christmas.

Mrs. Amy Briggs is spending a few
days with relatives in Portland, Me.

Dr. and Mrs. Albert McIntosh of
Hyde Park were in town for Christ-
mas.

Homer Judge of Attleboro has been
visiting at the home of his mother
here.

Miss Ethel Hazelwood of Smith
college is home for the winter holi-
days.

Miss Wilhemina Sellars of Newton
Centre was a visitor in town last
week.

There was a private dancing party
at the November club house last
night.

John Schofield, jr., of Williamantic,
Conn., spent a few days with relatives
in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Hannon of
Providence were among the holiday
visitors in town.

Alvin E. Tough left town last Sun-
day for New York where he has ac-
cepted a position.

The Misses Cornelia and Elizabeth
Williams have returned from an ex-
tended trip abroad.

Miss Harriet Carter of Spuyten
Devel has been spending a few days
with relatives here.

Mrs. Hodge of Fitchburg is visiting
at the home of her parents, Mr. and
Mrs. A. G. Playdon.

Miss Lucy A. Allen has been spend-
ing the week with relatives in Scar-
boro and Portland, Me.

George I. Rhodes of New York has
been at the home of his parents on
Chestnut street for a few days.

Carroll Hincks of Yale and Paul
Brooks of Harvard are among the
college students home for the holi-
days.

Miss Pearl Ralph, of Barnard Col-
lege, New York, is spending the holi-
days with her parents on Phillips
street.

Principal A. E. Stearns has been
elected treasurer of the Alpha Delta
Tau, a preparatory scholarship so-
ciety.

Misses Kate Hastings and Agnes
McKenzie are visiting the latter's
brother, Ambrose McKenzie, in New
York City.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McKim of
Somerville were holiday visitors at
the home of James Anderson on
Essex street.

Anyone who desires a 1909 calen-
dar can get one by calling at the
office of the Merrimack Mutual Fire
Insurance Company.

Edward Anderson was one of the
floor officials at the football league
dance held in Saunders hall, Law-
rence, Christmas eve.

At the session of the probate court
held Tuesday, Ammon Richardson
was appointed administrator of the
estate of Frances A. Richardson.

A basket ball team consisting of
former Andover players defeated the
Fitchburg Y. M. C. A. team in Fitch-
burg last Saturday. The score was
37-18.

The Andover-Bunting soccer game
scheduled for last Saturday was called
off because of the condition of the
grounds. It is expected that no more
games will be played until spring.

There will be a joint installation
of Gen. Wm. F. Bartlett Post 99,
G. A. R., the Women's Relief Corps,
and Walter L. Raymond Camp, Sons
of Veterans at G. A. R. hall tonight.

The home of Ira B. Abbott of East
Orange, N. J., brother of Anna B.
Abbott was destroyed by fire last
Thursday night. The house was a
complete loss and the occupants saved
only the clothing they had on.

W. H. Lillard, who has been foot-
ball coach at Phillips Academy for
the past two years, has been appoint-
ed coach of the Dartmouth team for
next year. Mr. Lillard will have a
year's leave of absence from Andover
and after the football season is over
next fall at Hanover he will engage
in special study at Harvard.

The Memorial Hall Library has
two reading lists on its bulletin
boards. One, on the children's side,
is on "Winter Sports". The other,
for older people, is on "Home Mak-
ing". The books listed are in a little
case below the bulletin, and cover a
variety of subjects from the planning
and building of a house to its fur-
nishing and decoration. Sewing,
cooking and domestic economy of all
kinds are included.

"All the World is Kin"

Let this be the watch cry for the appeal for aid for
the stricken people across the water. The TOWNSMAN
will receive all local contributions for the Italian Relief
fund and forward the same to the treasurer, Lee, Higgin-
son & Co. Acknowledgement will be made in next
week's issue of all sums sent during the coming week.
Let the response be as prompt and generous as the
need is urgent.

FOR ITALIAN RELIEF FUND

Mrs. Jos. W. Smith	\$50
Mary Byers Smith	25
Markham W. Stackpole	15
Andover Townsman	10

Sylvester Goodwin has moved from
Essex to Park street.

Miss Grace Coyne is visiting at her
home on Pine street.

James Dugan, of Wakefield, has
moved to Barnard street.

There will be no services at the
Seminary church next Sunday.

The squad of moth destroyers are
now at work in West Andover.

Rev. John Nolan, formerly of this
town, is now located in Portland,
Maine.

The entry lists are now open for
the pool and billiard tournament at
the Andover Club.

The Marcus Holt place on Main
street has been sold to Rev. Harry
Taylor of Salem street.

Mrs. J. H. McGovern, of Haverhill,
has been visiting her sister, Mrs. D.
O. Whitman on Pine street.

George A. Dumont is at the Cam-
bridge Emergency hospital, where he
recently underwent an operation.

Burnside Winslow, a former Phil-
lips Andover baseball player, has
gone into business in New Haven.

Ralph Kinney, a former well known
Phillips athlete, is to be married Jan-
uary 8 to Miss Annie Averill of Beau-
mont, Texas.

Local fishermen have been busy
this past week, especially at Foster's
pond, where the sport has been un-
usually good.

Mary Izzard, a young colored girl,
was this week sent, by Trial Justice
Stone, to the state industrial for
delinquency.

The attention of local sportsmen
is called to the article on the new
game regulations which will be found
on another page.

The class of 1906 of the Puncture
High school held a re-union last
night at the home of Harold Sau-
nders on Elm street.

Professor and Mrs. Frederick H.
Safford, of Philadelphia, have been
visiting Mr. and Mrs. Henry K. Flint
during the holidays.

Some time last week thieves re-
moved from the poles of the Boston
& Northern street railway near No.
Reading, over 900 feet of feed wire.

The members of the Andover Nat-
ural History society went to Salem
last Wednesday and visited the Es-
sex Institute and the Peabody Mu-
seum. The party left Andover by
electric Wednesday morning at 7:20.

A reception was given last Tuesday
evening by the officers of the Free
church to the members who have
joined during the past year. The
program for the evening included
readings by Thomas David, solos by
Alice Courts, and violin solos by
Myra Wilson. Refreshments were
served.

Charles E. Stone and family are
visiting relatives in Worcester.

Henry Veit and Elizabeth Smith,
of this town, were married last Sat-
urday in Providence. Veit is em-
ployed at the Tyer Rubber factory.

At the meeting of the Board of
Public Works held Tuesday evening,
it was decided to prohibit fishing in
Haggett's pond for an indefinite
period.

In the current issue of "Outing",
is an article written by L. D. Sher-
man of this town. The illustrations
are from photographs taken by Mr.
Sherman.

A number of Andover people at-
tended the production of the Messiah
given at the Lawrence Street church
in Lawrence last Sunday and Wed-
nesday evenings.

Stuart Moncur and Jean Stuart,
who will sing at the coming Burns
celebration, have received flattering
receptions wherever they have ap-
peared in this country.

The newly finished portrait of
Professor Graves will be on ex-
hibition until Wednesday, January
6, at the studio of H. Winthrop
Peirce on Morton street.

For the present monthly services
will be held in Abbott Village Hall
on the first Sunday evening of each
month at 7:30 o'clock. The first
meeting will be held next Sunday
evening and will be a Song Service
with address by the pastor of the
Free church.

Phillips Andover is now in need
of a football coach and several well
known football men are mentioned
for the place. Prominent in the dis-
cussion is the name of Schildmiller
of Dartmouth, a former Andover
player and the choice of many critics
for the All-American team. He played
on the football, baseball and basket-
ball teams at Phillips.

Buchan & Francis state that they
so highly appreciate the value of
newspaper advertising, that they have
concluded to increase their space for
the present year. With this change,
there is also to be a change in pol-
icy. Beginning with this issue, their
ad. will always be found on page
four, under the heading "Bargains",
and shall be more in the form of
small talks on this very popular sub-
ject. Read what they have to say to-
day.

Recent real estate transfers of local
interest are: Blaney Stephen to Mau-
rice Joyce; Lilly A. Winton to Fred
Shattuck; Flora E. Drescher to
Charles O. Hemingway et al; Wil-
liam Cunningham to Ernest C. Him-
melreich; John A. Collins to Daniel
A. Arundel; Daniel A. Arundel to
John A. Collins et ux; Charles R.
Baker et alii to Elizabeth Baker;
Elizabeth A. Platt et conj to Edith
G. Stark.

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\$12 Overcoats	\$9.60	\$15 Suits	\$12.00
\$15 Overcoats	\$12.00	\$18 Suits	\$14.40
\$20 Overcoats	\$16.00	\$20 Suits	\$16.00

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AMONG THE CHURCHES, CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

Swastika Club

Last Saturday evening, the Swastika club, an organization of young women which was formed a few months ago, was entertained at the home of one of the members, Miss Nora Hodnett on Main street. Whist was played and a social hour followed, during which refreshments were served.

Among those present were Katherine Hannon, Theresa McDonald, Mary Sweeney, Mary Kyle, Kitty Kyle, Helen O'Connor, and Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Hannon of Providence.

Mothers' Club

The Andover Mothers' Club will hold its next meeting Friday, January 8th, at three o'clock. Mrs. Sarah M. H. Gardner will speak to the club on the subject of "The Quakers," and there will be special music.

Natural History Society

The following winter schedule for 1908-1909 has been arranged by the Andover Natural History Society:

Wednesday, December 30, 1908—Trip to Essex Institute and Peabody Museum, Salem, Mass. Party will leave Andover square on 7.20 a. m. car to North Reading. Steam cars North Reading to Salem. Return trip to be determined.

Tuesday, January 12, 1909—An evening with the stars. Meeting in the vicinity of Pynchard School for the study of the constellations under the instruction of Mr. Goldsmith and others. Hot coffee will be served. In case of a storm or cloudy weather the meeting will be postponed until the next pleasant evening.

Tuesday, January 19, 1908, 8 p. m.—Regular monthly meeting in the School Committee room. Speakers and subjects to be announced.

Tuesday, February 16, 1909, 8 p. m.—Regular monthly meeting in the School Committee room. Speakers and subjects to be announced.

Saturday, p. m., March 27, 1909—Martin's Pond. Party will take 2.20 Reading car at Andover Square. Short tramp. Basket lunch at Oak Knoll camp at 5.30.

Coal Society

The committee of the Abbott Village Coal society announce that no collection will be made on Friday, January 1, 1909. This society is having a very successful season this year and parties wishing to join for the second half of the term can do so any Friday evening during January.

Clan McDonald

The usual meeting of Clan McDonald, No. 14, O. S. C., was held in Pilgrim hall Christmas night and the following officers were elected: Past chief, Allison Robertson; chief, James Gillespie; thanist, James Nairn; secretary, Thomas Gorrie; financial secretary, Elizabeth Simes; chaplain, Bella Adam; senior henchman, James Gillespie, jr.; junior henchman, Thomas McLeish; seneschal, Bella Gorrie; warden, Hector Adam; sentinel, Lilly Nairn.

The feature of the meeting was the presentation of a beautiful clock to Mr. and Mrs. Adam in recognition of the first anniversary of their marriage. The gift was presented by the chief in the name of the clan.

Cricket Club

It is likely that there will be a new Cricket league next season. The matter is now under discussion and steps to perfect the organization will doubtless be made in a couple of weeks. The clubs expected to make up the league are: Andover, Bunting, Merrimac, Moore, Lawrence, Zion, Methuen, Billerica and Manchester, N. H.

Indian Ridge Mothers' Club

The regular meeting of the Indian Ridge Mothers' Club will be held on Tuesday, January 5, instead of on Wednesday. Mr. Rupert W. Graves will give an illustrated talk on his trip to England, France, Germany and Holland. Scotch songs will follow to greet the New Year. Every member, new and old, is urged to be present.

Parish Club

There will be a meeting of the Parish club of Christ church at the Glebe house next Thursday. As matters of importance will be informally discussed a large attendance is urged.

Helping Hand

The Ladies' Helping Hand society of the Free church will hold a sewing meeting in the church parlor next Tuesday afternoon, January 5th at half past two.

Union Church Meetings

There will be union meetings of the South, Free and Baptist churches next week.

The meetings will be held Tuesday in the Baptist church. Subject: "Our Church Assets and Liabilities." Wednesday in the South church. Subject: "The Need of Stronger Spiritual Life."

Thursday in the Free church. Subject: "The Need of New Faith in Our Churches' Mission." Friday in the Baptist church. Subject: "The Need of Men Loyal to Jesus Christ and His Church."

The meetings will begin at 7.45 p. m. There will be special music. The Week of Prayer will be observed by union meetings this year. It is some time since the churches have united in this observance and it is hoped that there will be a good attendance.

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR NEXT WEEK



SOUTH CHURCH
Central Street
Congregational
Organized 1711

Rev. Frank R. Shipman
Pastor

Services for Next Week

10.30 a. m. Morning worship, followed by the Holy Communion. Also, Sunday kindergarten.

Sunday-School to follow.

7.30 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E.

Tuesday, 7.45, union meeting at the Baptist church.

Wednesday, union meeting at this church.

Thursday, union meeting at the Free church.

Friday, union meeting at the Baptist church.

Saturday, 7.45, prayer meeting.

Free Church, Congregational

WEST CHURCH
West Parish
Congregational
Organized 1826

Rev. Dean A. Walker
Pastor

Services for Next Week

10.30. Morning service. Preaching by the pastor.

12.00 Sunday school in the vestry.

4.00 Y. P. S. C. E.

7.00 Evening service.

Wednesday, 7.45, prayer meeting.

Free Church, Congregational

Elm Street

Organized 1846

Rev. Frederic A. Wilson
Pastor

Sunday-School to follow the morning service.

6.30 p. m. Monthly roll-call meeting of the Y. P. S. C. E.

7.30 p. m. Song service in Abbott Village hall with address by the Pastor.

7.15 p. m., Monday, Boys' Club.

7.45 p. m., Tuesday Union service at Baptist church.

7.45 p. m., Wednesday. Union service at South church.

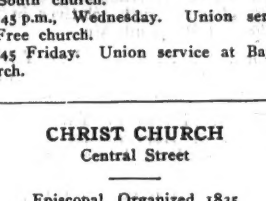
7.45 p. m., Wednesday. Union service at Free church.

7.45 Friday. Union service at Baptist church.

CHRIST CHURCH

Central Street

Episcopal, Organized 1835



Rev. Frederic Palmer, Rector

Services for Next Week

8.30 a. m. Mass and instruction, Sunday-school following.

10.30 a. m. High Mass and sermon.

3.30 p. m. Vespers.

First Sunday of each month, Communion day for Sacred Heart Sodality.

Second Sunday of each month, Communion day for the children.

Third Sunday of each month, Communion and Rosary Arch Confraternity.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Organized 1832

Rev. W. E. Lombard
Pastor

Sunday-School to follow the morning service.

10.30 a. m. Morning service. Preaching by pastor.

Sunday school at 11.45 a. m.

Y. P. S. C. E. at 6.45 p. m.

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TOWN OF ANDOVER



Collector's Notice

OFFICE OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Andover, Mass., Jan. 1, 1909.

The owners and occupants of the following described parcels of real estate, situated in the Town of Andover, in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the public are hereby notified that the same have been assessed for the years hereinafter specified according to the list committed to me as Collector of Taxes for said town by the assessors of taxes remain unpaid, and that the smallest undivided part of said land sufficient to satisfy said taxes, with interest and all legal costs and charges, or the whole of said land if no person offers to take an undivided part thereof, will be offered for sale by Public Auction, at the office of the Collector in the Town House, in said Andover, on

Saturday January 23, 1909

at 3 o'clock p. m., for the payment of said taxes, together with interest, costs and charges thereon unless the same shall be previously discharged.

The sums set against the descriptions of the several estates show the amounts due thereon respectively for the tax and assessments for the non-payment of which each of said estates is to be sold, not including costs and interest thereon and costs and charges incident to this sale.

John A. Driscoll—Centre District—Woodland 7 (seven) acres more or less, being a part of the so-called "Pine Pasture" on the northerly side of the road leading from Frye Village to North Andover and bounded southerly by said road, easterly by other land of said Driscoll, northerly by land formerly of Isaac Wilson deceased, and westerly by the old line of the Boston & Maine Railroad, now a highway leading from Andover to North Andover Depot, being a part of the premises conveyed by deed to said Driscoll by F. Barnes et al by deed dated January 3rd, 1893.

These taxes are for the years 1905, 1906, 1907, and the total amount is fifteen dollars and fifteen cents (\$15.15).

John T. Morse—South District—Land 4 acres more or less, situated in the Southerly part of the town, bounded as follows: northerly by Lowell Division of the Boston & Maine Railroad, easterly by the Boston & Maine Railroad, southerly by land of Sarah J. Craig, southerly by land of Sarah J. Craig and westerly by land now or late of Wallace Britt and the Shawheen River, being the premises more fully described in deeds from George Koch to John T. Morse dated August 11, 1905 and Sarah J. Craig to John T. Morse, dated August 12, 1905, and recorded in North District Essex Registry of deeds at Lawrence.

These taxes are for the years 1906 and 1907 and the total amount is six dollars and ninety cents (\$6.90).

Paul R. Burt—West District—Land 10 acres more or less, consisting of woodland and second growth, situated in said Andover and being part of the estate which was formerly of Jeddiah Burt, being in the west district of Andover, Mass., as described in a deed given to Paul R. Burt by George S. Cole, Deputy Sheriff, June 19th, 1900 and recorded in Book 178, Page 416 in the Essex North Registry of Deeds, Lawrence, Mass.

These taxes are for the years 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907 and the total amount is seventeen dollars and eighteen cents (\$17.18).

GEORGE A. HIGGINS,

Collector of Taxes

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PROBATE COURT.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of Charles W. Flint, late of Andover, in said County, deceased.

WHEREAS, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, has been presented to said Court, for probate, by John H. Flint, who prays that letters of administration with the will annexed may be issued to him, or some other suitable person, no executor being named in said will.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Salem in said County of Essex, on the fourth day of January, A. D. 1909, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Andover Townsman, a newspaper published in Andover, the last publication to be one day at least, before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Rollin E. Harrison, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this fifteenth day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and eight.

J. T. MAHONEY, Register

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PROBATE COURT.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors and all other persons interested in the estate of George W. W. Dove, late of Andover, in said County, deceased, intestate.

WHEREAS, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to Edward W. Hutchins of Boston, in the County of Suffolk, without giving a surety on his bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Salem, in said County of Essex, on the fourth day of January, A. D. 1909, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

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Witness, Rollin E. Harrison, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this fourteenth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and eight.

J. T. MAHONEY, Register.

Christmas Tree Custom Upheld

The country's forests again have been called upon to supply about four million Christmas trees, and again many persons have asked themselves and have queried the United States Forest Service, "Is the custom a menace to the movement for forest preservation?"

In the millions of happy homes over the country where the younger generation has made the Christmas tree the center of play since early Friday morning, there are many mothers and fathers who have given the question more or less thought. From Sunday schools and other organizations also, which hold an annual celebration around a gayly trimmed evergreen for the benefit of the little ones, has come the question whether it is consistent to urge conservation of forest resources and then to cut millions of young trees every year to afford a little joy in the passing holiday season.

"Yes, it is consistent and proper that the custom should be maintained," has been the answer of United States Forester Gifford Pinchot in every case. "Trees are for use, and there is no other use to which they could be put which would contribute so much to the joy of man as their use by the children on this one great holiday of the year."

"The number of trees cut for this use each year is utterly insignificant when compared to the consumption for other purposes for which timber is demanded. Not more than four million Christmas trees are used each year, one in every fourth family. If planted four feet apart they could be grown on less than 1,500 acres. This clearing of an acre equal to a good-sized farm each Christmas should not be a subject of much worry, when it is remembered that for lumber alone it is necessary to take timber from an area of more than 100,000 acres every day of the year."

"It is true that there has been serious damage to forest growth in the cutting of Christmas trees in various sections of the country, particularly in the Adirondacks and parts of New England, but in these very sections the damage through the cutting of young evergreens for use at Christmas is infinitesimal when compared with the loss of forest resources through fires and careless methods of lumbering. The proper remedy is not to stop using trees but to adopt wiser methods of use."

"It is generally realized that a certain proportion of land must always be used for forest growth, just as for other crops. Christmas trees are one form of this crop. There is no more reason for an outcry against using land to grow Christmas trees than to grow flowers."

The Forest Service upholds the Christmas tree custom, but recognizes at the same time, that the indiscriminate cutting of evergreens to supply the holiday trade has produced a bad effect upon many stands of merchantable kinds of trees in the western sections of the country. Waste and destruction usually result when woodlands are not under a proper system of forest management.

Foresters say that it is not by denying ourselves the wholesome pleasure of having a bit of nature in the home at Christmas that the problem of conserving the forests will be solved, but by learning how to use the forests wisely and properly. The ravages through forest fires must be checked, the many avenues of waste of timber in its travel from the woods to the mill and thence to the market must be closed, and almost numberless important problems demand attention before the Christmas tree.

Germany is conceded to have the highest developed system of forest management of any country, yet its per capita use of Christmas trees is greatest. The cutting of small trees for Christmas is not there considered in the least as a menace to the forest, but, on the contrary, as a means of improving the forest by thinning and as a source of revenue. It is therefore constantly encouraged.

There is little doubt but that the time will come when the Christmas tree business will become a recognized industry in this country, and that as much attention will be given to it as will be given the growing of crops of timbers for other uses. This time may not be far off, for it is already understood that only through the practice of forestry, which means both the conservation of the timber which remains and carefully planned systems of reforestation, will it be possible to supply the country with its forty billion feet of lumber needed each year, as well as the few million little trees used at Christmas time.

See Your Heart Beat

It may be comforting or otherwise to a man to have a cinematograph reproduction of his heart beats, but he can have it if he wishes, thanks to a Dutchman's cleverness. This is how it is worked: First find your heart. Place against it a stethoscope. This will intensify the beating and move an oscillator. This in its turn has its movements photographed on a film, and there you are! It would be invaluable as applied to a witness in the box, so that the jury could see what was going on when the cross examination became very hot.—Modern Society.

Leprosy in a Cow

A cow has been found apparently suffering from leprosy. Her ears were quite bloodless and were cut off inch by inch without hurting her. The possibility of milk being consumed by human beings from a leprosy cow is terrible to think of.—Natali Afrikaander.

Won a Commission

Against twenty-three men contestants Miss Evelyn Longman has won a \$14,000 commission to design the bronze door for the chapel of the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis. Miss Longman's design of a "Winged Victory" at the Louisiana Purchase exposition brought her considerable success.

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For Lawrence Week Days—11.07, 6.49, 7.51, 9.09, 10.22, 11.39 A. M. 12.38, 12.59, 2.02, 3.02, 3.28, 4.14, 5.04, 5.39, 5.48, 6.17, 6.48, 7.30, 7.57, 8.53, 10.17, P. M.

Sundays—12.07, 8.55, 11.19 A. M. 12.46, 3.07, 4.30, 5.48, 6.30, 7.45, 9.23, 11.04 P. M.

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DOUBT AS TO FATE
OF AMERICANS

Many Are Known to Have Been
in the Earthquake Zone

TOURISTS IN A MESSINA HOTEL

Some of the Ninety From United States May Have Escaped From Building Which Was Wrecked—
Appeals to State Department to Help Locate Friends—Ambassador Grisco and Consuls Rendering Aid

Washington, Dec. 31.—Ninety Americans in a Messina hotel that was destroyed, and Italians and Americans co-operating in the quest for information regarding the missing, are reported upon in a cablegram to the state department received from Ambassador Grisco at Rome.

The ambassador cabled that he has received no word from the American consuls at Messina and Palermo. He has asked the foreign office for information and that office, he adds, will use every effort through army and navy officers to obtain immediate news.

The ambassador says it is reported that ninety Americans were in the Trinacria hotel at Messina, which is said to be totally destroyed. It is known, however, that some of the guests escaped.

The foreign office reported that several foreign nations are hurrying warships to the scene to offer assistance. The ambassador has dispatched consular officers in the quest for information.

Every effort is being made by the state department to obtain news of American citizens who were in the earthquake zone in Italy, and whose fate has caused their friends much uneasiness and an appeal to the department to help locate them.

Ambassador Grisco was directed to cable promptly any information obtainable regarding the missing persons and to send some of the American vice-consuls in Italy to the scene of distress to render whatever aid is possible. Efforts are also being made to keep in communication with Deputy Consul Lupton at Messina, to the end that prompt advice may reach here regarding any Americans in trouble there.

The state department will make public promptly to the press any information received from its officials in Italy, so that news from there will reach those immediately interested at the first possible moment. The department's information is that the winter tourist season has not yet fully begun in Sicily.

The impression among officials is that those Americans who were in the earthquake zone in that island were mainly at Taormina. Many inquiries have come to the department regarding friends believed to be in the earthquake region.

Boston's Generous Response
Boston, Dec. 31.—At the close of business last evening it was announced that the general subscriptions being received by Lee, Higginson & Co., for the earthquake sufferers had reached a total of nearly \$10,000.

Italians from various settlements of eastern Massachusetts held a mass meeting last night to complete plans for a formal canvass of the Italian colonies of the state to secure further funds to send to Italy and Sicily.

The committee having in charge the Massachusetts Italian relief fund will send a man to Italy on the first vessel sailing, to see that the commonwealth's contributions are carefully and worthily disposed of.

This plan was decided upon late last evening after a consultation as to the best means of securing the public against any misuse of its funds contributed for the suffering ones of Italy.

MERGING TEXAS RANCHES

Railroad Magnate Said to Be Backing \$75,000,000 Scheme

Denver, Dec. 29.—The Post says: According to private despatches received here a merger of Texas ranches in the territory penetrated by the Colorado and Southern railroad is forming, and it will comprise 1,000,000 acres of land worth \$75,000,000.

James J. Hill, who, it is said, has gained control of the Colorado and Southern, is named as a backer of the merger.

New Marathon Record

New York Dec. 28.—M. Maloney, of the Trinity Athletic club, Brooklyn, established a new world's record for the full Marathon distance of 26 miles, 385 yards when he finished in the lead of 115 runners in a race from Rye to Columbus Circle, New York City, in 2:36:26. J. F. Crowley was second in 2:45:13, and J. Clark third in 2:47:22.

"Drys" Win a Bitter Fight

Roanoke, Va., Dec. 31.—In a local option election here the "drys" won by a majority of eighty-six votes. The effect of the election will be the closing within ninety days of forty-two saloons and six mail order liquor houses. The fight has been one of the bitterest ever waged in Virginia.

39 TWENTY-SEVEN COUNTS

Jury Finds Broker King Guilty of Criminal Offenses

Boston, Dec. 30.—Cardenio F. King, broker, charged with the larceny of more than \$25,000 from investors, was found guilty on twenty-seven counts by a jury in the superior criminal court. The jury rendered its verdict a few minutes before midnight. A motion for an increase of the \$25,000 bail was postponed by Judge Schofield.

The trial of King began on Dec. 15 and the case went to the jury late yesterday. There were thirty-one counts in the charges involving embezzlement and larceny by false pretences. Judge Schofield ruled that the jury must bring in a verdict of not guilty on four of the counts, which was done, the jury finding a verdict of guilty on all the other counts.

FORGETFUL FLANAGAN

Absence of Marriage License Delays Wedding of Tom Longboat

Toronto, Dec. 29.—Tom Longboat, the Indian long distance runner, was married to Miss Loretta Marsale last evening at the church of St. John the Evangelist. Rev. Mr. Cregan, a Church of England clergyman, performed the ceremony.

There were a dozen or more friends of the bride and bridegroom present. Tom Flanagan, the Indian's manager, was best man, and Miss Claus, a cousin of the bride, was the bridesmaid.

The bride was given away by her brother, an Indian chief. There was a delay of half an hour at the church, for Tom Flanagan had forgotten the marriage license.

RELIGIOUS WORKERS

TO SEE NEW YEAR IN

Twelve Thousand of Them Assemble in Chicago

Chicago, Dec. 31.—In the Coliseum here tonight 12,000 Christian workers will await with hymns and prayers the coming of the new year. It will be a gigantic old fashioned "watch night" service, participated in by evangelists from all parts of America.

Tonight's service will be the closing scene of a three days' revival held under the auspices of the Moody Bible Institute of this city. Among the men who are attending the services are the following:

Dr. L. W. Munnell of Germantown, Pa., a distinguished Methodist evangelist, who has been engaged to conduct evangelistic meetings in the Panama canal zone; Dr. William E. Blederswolf, Monticello, Ind., who is just concluding a six months' campaign in Kansas, assisted by thirty evangelists; William Phillips Hall, New York, president of the American Tract society and of the American Bible league; Mrs. J. Ellen Foster, Washington, who has recently conducted special investigations of child labor and prison conditions for President Roosevelt; Dr. A. B. Simpson, founder of the Christian Missionary alliance.

HOOGS PLEADS NOT GUILTY

Former Teller of Beverly Savings Bank Held For Grand Jury

Salem, Mass., Dec. 30.—Albert S. Hoogs, former teller of the Beverly Savings bank, who is alleged to have confessed to misappropriating about \$9000 of the bank's funds, was held for the grand jury by Judge Sears.

The complaint specifically charged the larceny of \$1000 from the bank on Oct. 24 last. Hoogs pleaded not guilty, waiving the reading of the complaint and examination. His bonds were fixed at \$10,000, and were furnished by five Beverly business men.

NEW ENGLAND BRIEFS

The large livery stable of Edward J. Dorsey at Fort Fairfield, Me., together with forty tons of hay, 400 bushels of oats and fifteen hogs, was burned. The loss is \$8000.

Sixteen horses were burned to death in a fire that destroyed the livery stable of Irving Pruisant at Bath, Me., causing a loss of about \$6000. The cause of the fire is not known.

James Jackson, 43 years old, was struck and killed by a train at Pontiac, R. I. He was employed as a milk deliverer.

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Italy's Death List
Reaches 150,000
MESSINA IS WIPED OUT

Reggio and Other Towns Also

Totally Destroyed

DESTITUTION IS EVERYWHERE

New Shocks Put People in Fear

of Another Earthquake

Rome, Dec. 31.—The immensity of the disaster in southern Italy and Sicily can only be measured by the fact that it is now estimated that 110,000 people perished in Messina and Reggio alone. A score of other towns have been devastated and thousands of victims in these places must be added to the roll.

The estimated grand total of fatalities is now placed at 150,000. In the face of this awful total all Italy stands appalled.

Nor has the full death list yet been reached. Shiploads of fugitives have arrived at Naples and other ports, and the vast majority of these are sorely injured. Other thousands remain near the ruins of their homes or wander half starving, half naked, over the land. The forces that on Monday overwhelmed cities also destroyed the means of subsistence.

Telegraphic communication has been established with Messina. Messages which have come over the line, though they have been meagre in detail, show that there hope is gone; nothing remains of the city but a mass of ruins that have been swept by fire.

Survivors in Great Distress

A mere handful of survivors are being cared for by the rescuing forces, but their distress is great and it has been increased by the violent icy wind which followed the deluge of rain. Destitution is everywhere and appalling. There is little food and less water. Of Messina's 90,000 population, it is believed that full 70,000 perished. Forty thousand people died in Reggio.

King Victor Emmanuel and Queen Helena were in Messina Wednesday. The king explored the ruins, regardless of the danger to which he exposed himself. He was often moved to tears at the heart-rending scenes he came upon at every turn. The king was loud in his praise of the splendid work accomplished by the Italian, Russian and English bluejackets, who saved many who otherwise would have inevitably perished. The queen spent the day in the wards of improvised hospitals visiting the wounded, many of whom have lost all that was dear to them. The queen did her best to cheer them with womanly words of consolation, often breaking into sobs as she listened to their dreadful tales of suffering. The king left for Reggio last night.

Catania Is Overcrowded

Catania, the largest city nearest to the zone of the disaster, is crowded with refugees, and the continuous stream of fugitives coming in, the sight of the wounded and repetition of real or imaginary earth shocks, have so alarmed the population that they are becoming uncontrollable. There is no longer a place where the refugees may find shelter. Cardinal Bontifé, archbishop of Catania, has employed all the money in his possession to provide bread for the fugitives, but the people of Catania also are in great need, as the ordinary business pursuits have been entirely interrupted.

The government is finding difficulty in ascertaining the fate of the many foreigners who were in the earthquake zone at the time of the catastrophe. Inquiries concerning whom are coming from all quarters of the globe.

American Consul Killed

The commander of the battleship Admiral Makharoff, which arrived with fugitives at Naples, confirms the report of the death of the American consul at Messina, Arthur S. Cheney, and his wife, who were buried in the ruins of the consulate. The number of Americans in Sicily and southern Italy is believed to be small and several of them are reported to have been staying at Taormina, which is on the east coast, about thirty miles southwest of Messina. According to the latest reports this place suffered no harm from the earthquake.

The destruction of the American consulate at Messina and the death of Consul Cheney and perhaps the death also of the former vice-consul, J. H. Peirce, together with the absence of W. H. Bishop, the American consul at Palermo, leaves the United States without a representative in Sicily at the present time. Officials in Rome are considering the possibility of the administration at

Washington ordering one or more of the ships of the battleship fleet now cruising around the world to proceed to Sicily in order to protect American interests.

Far Worse Than War

The minister of war, in despatching orders to the military authorities who have practically taken over the absolute power throughout the zone of the earthquake, explained:

"This disaster has resulted in a greater loss of life than any of our wars for independence. Indeed, the situation is much worse as, while war always is preceded by a period of preparation, this has happened within forty seconds. While war only affects the young and strong among the people, the present calamity has mowed down women and children, old men and youths. While in war the armies are followed by the most complete camp hospitals, the numberless wounded in Calabria and eastern Sicily have been left, in many cases, forty-eight hours without assistance. Even when rescued, it is impossible to house them, everything available having been filled by the dead. Lack of care and starvation will complete the work that the forces of nature has left undone."

All the sovereigns and the heads of states of the foreign governments have sent expressions of warmest sympathy and deepest condolence. France's message was especially warm; and she is despatching five warships from Toulon to Messina, which is hailed as a token of love from a sister race.

The minister of marine received word that the steamships Taormina and Campana, with 45,000 beds and a large supply of provisions aboard, have left Genoa bound for Messina. Other steamers, also bountifully stocked, are on their way to the stricken cities from various ports.

Terrible Suffering Inevitable

The despatches from the stricken zone say that a large army would be required to cope with even the pressing needs of the unfortunate people who are roaming about half clad and starving, some of them dragging articles of clothing from the smouldering ruins to protect themselves from the piercing winds. Terrible suffering is inevitable before the much-needed relief can arrive.

The rescue parties, military, naval and civil, of different nationalities, are performing prodigies, but the task before them is almost hopeless. Added to the difficulty of obtaining food and water, there are no drugs or surgical appliances. Heart-breaking appeals for help are heard on every side, to which only the most inadequate response is possible. Temporary hospitals are being rigged up, but only a comparatively few can be relieved and the scenes of horror defy description. The survivors of the earthquake are suffering cruel extremities and, in Messina, may be seen all around vainly searching in the dust and debris for morsels of food.

Late despatches state that the city of Palmi contains 1500 dead and twice as many injured. Two-thirds of the town was laid waste. All the villages adjacent suffered as severely.

The king has telegraphed Premier Giolitti, informing him that Reggio is in the same awful condition as Messina and announcing that a Russian steamer with 500 injured will arrive at Naples today. The king asks that all preparations be made for their reception at the hospitals and requests that the ship be sent back with doctors.

Messina a Huge Furnace

Despatches from Catania describe Messina as appearing like a huge incandescent furnace. The fire spread to the buildings that had not yet fallen, completing the work of destruction. The Strait of Messina is now choked with corpses of men and animals. At the present time there are twelve warships at Messina, four Italian, four British and four Russian, as well as a number of destroyers and steamers. The injured are being carried aboard the steamers and will be removed to Naples.

The relief work now is well begun, but hundreds of persons are wandering about the ruins like madmen. They are being given food and clothing as fast as it is possible.

General Marazzi, commandant at Catanzaro, has telegraphed to his government that he had tried vainly for two days to reach Reggio by land and sea. The roads are impracticable and the shore has been so torn and twisted as far as he traveled in Calabria that it was impossible to approach the water.

At the ministry of marine word has been received that frightful looting and pillage occurred at Reggio. This place, already overwhelmed, will have few survivors, as it has been impossible for the relief expedition to reach it.

Naples' Destruction Predicted

The Naples newspapers are reproducing the prophecy of Matilde Serao, which was printed in Nes Annale a week ago and in which, predicting the destruction of Naples and expressing Italy's constant fear of nature's upheaval, she said:

"Today the city is beautiful, because God wishes it. We believe her immortal, but she is destined for death. See you this mountain, at whose feet stretch beautiful villages, bathed by the sea? She will destroy our city; she will be our executioner. One day roars will come; convulsions will shake the mountain; a frightful tempest will agitate the sea; flashes of lightning will cover the heavens and all nature will combine to our destruction."

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On Thursday of next week, one of the most prominent figures in Massachusetts politics for the past ten years will close, at least for a time, his political life. Previous to the ten years' period suggested, he had been a leading factor in state and national politics, and so the term can be extended to embrace nearly a generation that will close at that time, when Curtis Guild, Jr., will lay down the active work of a political life and become one of the ex-governors of the Commonwealth.

It has been a long and honorable career that will be marked. As a party worker, as an orator in the first rank, as a progressive leader of men, as one with distinguished service as the State's chief executive, Gov. Guild has left his stamp upon many political activities which have vitally interested the people. He has deserved and received at times, criticism for some of his acts, and more frequently he has received and not deserved this criticism. He has deserved and received a large measure of praise for many of the good things he has done, and we are inclined to believe that this praise will become more pronounced as his official life is viewed in later years.

It has been no easy task for any man to hold high position such as he has held for three years. The unrest and disturbed conditions in the social world, coupled with the disasters in the business and financial world have made it a difficult period for legislative bodies to act, and for executive officials to do their part. To many men Governor Guild has at times seemed too easy with certain classes of people within the Commonwealth, but viewed as a whole, he closes his three years as Governor with a record second to none in the history of the State for devotion to service, for genuine appreciation of the needs of his fellow-men, and for high and intelligent endeavor to make the government of the Commonwealth serve, in the very best possible way, all of its citizens.

It is understood that Governor Guild will devote his time to business. But it is doubtful if this decision, wise as it is, will be long adhered to, in the light of the training and equipment which he possesses for still further honorable public service. A review of his work as Governor will undoubtedly soon be compiled by the statistician who delights to relate the accomplishments of the man through the medium of figures. But the most effective summary that can be prepared will be of the hidden sort which has so unexpectedly in every contest where Governor Guild has run, shown that the rank and file of the people in the Commonwealth have had confidence in him, and regard and affection for him.

As one who has been closely associated with him, the writer desires to record his tribute to go with many others that will be uttered and printed, in recognition of the closing of such an important political activity as that of Curtis Guild, Jr.

Editorial Cinders

Speaking of trees, the great problem after all, is the private estate. To take a ten acre forest and do for it all that is necessary to destroy the present pests and preserve it from those that are on the way, is a problem that is difficult of solution. In talking this morning with that lover of trees, Mr. Charles L. Carter, it is distressing to learn that the Indian Ridge Reservation is in danger of very serious disaster from the gypsy moth which has been a close follower of the brown tail. What to do, and how to do it, is very easy to say in print, but when it comes to attacking the problem itself it is much more difficult. It is no wonder that some people find that the easy solution is the axe. It behooves every citizen to give this pressing and vital problem his earnest consideration.

Under the provisions of Section 2 of Chapter 478 of the acts of 1908, Mr. John H. Flint has turned over to the state a good sized tract of land to be devoted to tree growth during the next 20 years. So far as we know this is the first instance where an Andover citizen has availed himself of this act, which was designed to protect both the owner of the real estate in his property, and the Commonwealth at large in the larger way of increasing its forest area. The experiment will be watched with great interest, and we are glad that so practical and far seeing man as Mr. Flint lends his support to the project in this effective way.

The Townsman again opens its columns and offers its services to help in every possible way in the relief of the stricken territory in Italy. Already by the morning's mail comes a contribution, and there is not a doubt but that Andover's response will be as large and hearty as it always is in such times. "He who gives promptly doubles his gift," and that saying was never truer than in the present great catastrophe.

Abbot Concerts

The next concert in this year's series to be given on January 21st by the Longy Club of Boston, will be of unusual musical interest to the people of Andover. The Club was founded by Monsieur Georges Longy in 1899, and is the only one of its kind in America. The men are all members of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, and were selected by the conductors from the very best artists to be found in Europe. There are ten in number, representing the wood-wind instruments, one of the four choirs of a large orchestra. The instruments are the flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon and horn, and antedate all the other instruments in the modern orchestra.

When the full orchestra is playing it is impossible to hear their exquisite coloring, but in this concert we shall hear nothing but these instruments and the beauty of tone and effect will be enjoyed by everyone. The capacity of these small instruments is almost incredible.

In the next issue of the Townsman will be found a good many interesting particulars concerning the players and their instruments, which we are sure will be valuable. We hope also to have the programs.

This concert cannot fail of being of great educational value, as well as of intense musical interest.

To Help Italy

The National Red Cross Society, of the United States, wishes to raise as large a fund as possible for the relief of the sufferers from the recent great earthquake in Sicily and Southern Italy. In order to do this, and to give wider opportunity to those who wish to contribute, it has been decided to continue the sale of Red Cross Stamps.

Beginning to-day, the proceeds from their sale will go towards the relief fund for the earthquake sufferers.

These stamps are on sale in several stores in Andover and the price is one cent each.

Obituary

Mrs. Lydia L. Blackman, wife of Horace P. Blackman of Cambridge, died at her late home in that city on Thursday, December 24, at the age of seventy-seven years, and five months.

Mrs. Blackman will be remembered by many of the older residents as the daughter of the late John Flint and the sister of John H. Flint. She was married in 1857, and has resided most of the time since that date at Cambridge. In her own intimate family she is survived by one son, Arthur W., of Cambridge, and one daughter, the wife of Rev. Francis Webster of Waltham.

New Game Law

With the beginning of the New Year on Friday there will go into effect in Massachusetts a law providing that any resident who desires to hunt elsewhere than on property where his own domicile is located must secure a license therefor, for which he will be compelled to pay a fee of \$1. These licenses must be obtained from the clerk of the city or town in which the would-be hunter resides, and will be good to hunt in any part of the state for any bird or animal which the law permits to be killed.

The new law stipulates that the license shall bear the name, age, occupation, place of residence, signature and an identifying description of the person registered; it shall not be transferable, and one feature which is likely to cause trouble for many an unsuspecting hunter is that which requires the license to be carried whenever the hunter is in the woods, and to be produced for examination upon the demand of any commissioner of fish and game or their deputies, or of any sheriff, constable, police officer or other officer authorized to arrest for crime. Failure or refusal to produce the license upon demand is made prima facie evidence of a violation of the law.

City and town clerks are required to keep a record of all licenses issued by them, which record is to be open to inspection by all officers authorized to make arrests, and by the state treasurer and state auditor or their deputies, and by the commissioners on fisheries and game and their deputies; on the first Monday of every month the clerk is required to forward to the state treasurer all fees he has collected during the preceding month.

Drastic penalties are fixed for violation of the new law. A fine of not less than ten nor more than fifty dollars is provided for each violation, and at the discretion of the judge he may imprison the violator for thirty days or sentence him to pay the fine in addition to imprisonment; the license of any person convicted of violating the law must be revoked, and such a person cannot be given another license for the period of one year from the date of the conviction. The license reads as follows:

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Thirty thousand copies of this license have been printed by the direction of the State fish and game commission, which expects that fully this number will be issued during the year 1909, thereby bringing in a revenue of \$30,000.

Card of Thanks

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dobbie wish to thank all their friends and neighbors for their many kindnesses and expressions of sympathy during their recent bereavement.

Appointed by President

Professor Warren K. Moorehead has been appointed by President Roosevelt a member of the Board of Indian commissioners. The appointment has been confirmed by the senate and Professor Moorehead has qualified. This commission has charge of all Indian affairs in the United States.

Presentation

On Thursday morning, December 24, Robert Hume of the flax dressing department of the Smith & Dove company was presented by his shopmates and fellow workmen with a handsome hand bag. The gift was an expression of appreciation of the efficient manner in which Mr. Hume represented the interests of the flax workers, as their delegate before the Ways and Means Committee in Washington.

The presentation speech was made by James Stewart who in a few well chosen words expressed the appreciation and the good wishes of the givers. In his speech of acceptance, Mr. Hume conveyed his thanks for the gift and for the honor of acting as a delegate. He said that he was happy that his services had been appreciated and urged that vigilance be observed to prevent hurtful tariff revision.

Obituary

MRS. BENJAMIN BROWN

Early Monday morning, Mrs. K. Wylie Brown, wife of Benjamin Brown, died at the family home, 72 Park street, after many months of suffering. Mrs. Brown had been long an invalid, but through her weeks of suffering endeavored herself to her friends by her patience and forbearance.

The deceased had resided in Andover for more than 20 years and had made for herself an enviable place in the esteem and affections of her friends and neighbors. She was a constant attendant and a conscientious worker in the Old South church.

Funeral services were held from the late home Wednesday afternoon and were conducted by Rev. F. R. Shipman. The interment was in the Spring Grove cemetery.

West Parish Church

The annual meeting of the West Parish church was held in the vestry of the church last Wednesday evening about forty members of the church being present.

The first business of the evening was the discussion of a most abundant supper. The tables were prettily decorated, the menu was a varied one and the hearty, cordial spirit all went to make this part of the evening's program very enjoyable.

After supper the real business session was opened by the singing of the Doxology. The records of the last meeting were read and approved as were also the reports of the clerk and the treasurer. The church records show a total membership of 207. During the year six new members were added and the same number lost, one by death and five by dismissal.

The following officers were elected: Clerk, Arthur T. Boutwell; Treasurer, Frederick S. Boutwell; Deacon, Peter D. Smith; Auditor, Peter D. Smith. The officers elected by the Sunday School last Sunday were confirmed by the church: Superintendent, Winthrop S. Boutwell; Assistant, Dean A. Walker; Secretary and Treasurer, Luella Phelps; Librarian, Anna E. Chase; Assistant, Paul A. Ward.

After a discussion of the financial condition of the church, the following were named as a collecting committee: Mrs. Nathan Bailey, Harriet L. Maddox and Mary E. Whittaker. Caroline J. Burt and Arthur T. Boutwell were appointed to act with the pastor to secure leaders for the Sunday evening meetings.

At the close of the business session the pastor of the church gave a review of the work of the year and outlined the plans for next year's activities.

Notice to Local Hunters

The Sportsman's Protective Association of Eastern Massachusetts is to hold a Fox hunt, Clay Pigeon shoot and Supper at North Reading on Saturday, January 2, 1909. Members and friends are invited to attend.

The Hunt will start from Flint Memorial Hall at 8 a. m. Clay pigeon shoot will be held on North Reading park at 1 p. m.

Supper will be served at Flint Memorial Hall at 7 o'clock. The committee consists of J. W. Baxter, North Reading; S. A. Penney, Somerville; J. Allen Eames, North Reading.

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Communication

"The Great Tariff Lie"

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The writer of this great lie article admits that there are a few small industries benefited by the Dingley tariff.

Allow me to say that our flax trade is one of these. Whether the tariff raises wages or does not I do not stop to argue, as Russia with high protection duties pays lowest wages while Britain with free trade has highest. One thing I know is that workers in flax mills in America have fully 50 per cent more for their labor than in Britain. They do not work more nor produce more yarn than in Europe. A spindle made to revolve 5000 revolutions per minute in Belfast will not, on getting American air be fit to do 6000. Note well that this maudlin sentiment about American workmen and American skill is simply American humbug when applied to our textile industries. Do cranks who speak thus ever take the trouble to find out where these textile workers come from. I am trying to state facts, not theories. The protective duties on flax yarns and twines leaves room for higher wages and the industry could not live without protection. Even if only European wages were paid the manufacturer is handicapped by a 50 per cent dearer plant, a lunatic duty on rough flax and a heavy freight, being so far from the flax market, so that without protection the flax spinning trade in America is impossible so far as being profitable to the manufacturer or employee.

Our friend Andrew Carnegie says that steel rails needs no protective duty now. He should know.

How many Americans are aware that the black dress coat, I mean the cloth of it, is not manufactured in this country, notwithstanding the high duty. We can neither make the quality of cloth nor dye it the right black. We cannot make "Tweeds" with soul and body in them. We do not make gingham for girls dresses to compare with Scotch gingham. We have yet much to learn and this arrogant cry of American cleverness to one who knows, and like Andrew Carnegie, uses the little brains he has is simply ignorance run mad.

JOHN SAUNDERS

Christmas at Fisk University

Down South Christmas is celebrated much as Fourth of July is in the North. Several days before hand pistols and fire crackers are heard. Soon after midnight on Christmas day the real racket begins. It is kept up all day and more less until the New Year. All this seems strange to people from the North. So differently from the first Christmas when the angels sang Peace on earth Good Will to men. Fire crackers and pistols and the birth day of the Prince of Peace seem hardly the thing.

This is what we tell the pupils at Fisk University and try to show them a better way to celebrate the day. We do not have a vacation at Christmas. Our boys and girls come from states and territories so far away that it would cost them a great deal to go home and back and then too there are always small pox and other catching diseases in parts of the South which would be brought back to the school by those who went on the cars.

So we have to arrange matters to have as pleasant a time as possible at the school. Ever since they were born the Negro child has been made to feel that there is no day in the year like Christmas. Old Aunties and Uncles as the colored people along in life are called will meet you on the street and say "Christmas gift". In slavery times the holidays were looked forward to all the year. They meant as much as Washington's Birthday, Fourth of July, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas altogether do to you.

We are afraid that the young people will all be homesick. We can not afford a Christmas tree nor can we have them all hang up their stockings, so we try to arrange for a nice time in some other way. Let me tell you what we do. Early in the morning before breakfast the young women in the ladies' hall, Jubilee Hall, and the young men in the boys' hall, Livingstone Hall, start out from their rooms and march through the long corridors singing "Joy to the world the Lord has come" or some Christmas Carol. The young ladies have done this for many years. The young men began to do it a few years ago when Miss Boynton who is now in your Guild used to have charge of them. Before that they had been used to going through the Halls pounding on dustpans and anything else that would make a big noise.

Breakfast is a little later than usual on Christmas morning. The young men come in first and stand before the tables and pretty soon a song is heard at a distance. It keeps coming nearer and nearer until a procession of 135 young ladies and girls have marched in and taken their places opposite the young men. Then the Chaplain says grace. Look around you! The great dining-room is decorated with college colors, gold and blue, and a great red paper bell, a present from the grocer, hangs in the middle of the room. The blinds are closed, but it is light for at each of the three hundred plates is a little candle in a little turnip and there are mistletoe and holly which some of the boys had gone to the woods to get a day or two before. Don't you think that it is a pretty sight with all the young men dressed in their best clothes and the young women dressed in white and all chatting together as they are allowed to stay at the tables

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HISTORICAL ANDOVER

Allen Remnants

No. 145

Much as I admire "Cole's Boulevard", I feel that the opening up of our perennial bog-hole in the Square brought a new reinforcement of my enemy, malarial gripe, a name I have adopted for the Indian nomenclature, earth fever. I could not make the necessary research for lines I greatly desired, who enter our records from Reading, Tewksbury and Wilmington, and I am confident have a common origin. I will depend upon the good readers of our columns to send me word where I can catch the lost links.

We who are now the grandmothers and spinster great aunts of this day, recall the calico horse of the Allen family and its owner, Thaddeus Perry Allen, who lived in a well placed little cottage near our reservoir reservation, still occupied by his daughter, Rebecca (Allen) White, who has come back to old Andover to a most attractive old homestead. Her father was a son of Robert Allen and Anna Perry of North Reading, born there about 1798, and a thrifty farmer of Andover in later life. He died in 1876, and I think his widow, Timna, followed in a few years, but the town records clumsily record her as Pinna and give only the first names of her parents. Timothy Fletcher Allen, the only son, married and moved away.

We had an early Robert Allen, who came here to marry Hannah McIntyre in 1796, who may be allied to the John Allen who married, in 1820, Hannah Chandler, daughter of John Chandler and Amy McIntyre of Reading. His son, John Chandler Allen, who served us as pedler, shoemaker and soapmaker at various times, married Jacob Brown's daughter Hannah. When the Hidden estate was settled, his children were among the heirs, who would have divided that domain, if the Bond cousin had failed, and I recall a very agreeable drive across country after a Chandler Book with one of the sons, who could not explain clearly to his lawyer just where he linked to the line. Maybe his John Allen was a brother of Robert, father of Thaddeus Perry Allen. We had still another line of Robert of Tewksbury, wife Lydia Mears, who left a son, Capt. William Allen, who bought the old Ballard place near the Wilmington line, which the flames stole from us. Here he died at 62 in 1891, his wife Rebecca Pierson of Wilmington passing first. All the family I could find entering our record was the daughter Mary Jane, who married the carpenter John Howell, a transplanted Englishman. I hope to join sometime these strays to a common family tree.

Phillips Academy has brought us an Allen from Walpole, his lady of New Haven with four children, who perhaps will not stay to build Andover. There are others from Wilmington and England. A most interesting group resident in Frye Village is the family of the paper maker, Thomas Allen of Lawrence, and wife Grace Towne from Cambridge.

But I must gather in the line of Allen whose record will perhaps be carried longest in our hearts, that of Asa Allen, a veteran of the Revolution, who somehow drifted to Andover during the war. The ancestor I at last obtained by correspondence in other quests for Allens of the same stock in the Mississippi Valley, for old William Allen of Salisbury and his wife, Ann Goodale, sent swarms to build Rhode Island and other New England colonies in the early days, when Canada line came down to Dunstable, Dover and old Hadley, and New York Dutchmen claimed all the rest. So to Rehoboth moved Benjamin (2), born 1652, trained as a wheelwright, and equally fitted out as a seaman, he became a planter of Rehoboth about 1694. He buried his first wife, who was a widow of Henry Wheeler, in Salisbury, and took Elizabeth, Benjamin, Squiers, and Jeremiah, a babe of a year, away to Rehoboth, and the new mother, Hopestill Leonard of Rehoboth of a famous old family was the one who among his eight children, gave David Allen (3), born 1707, who married Hannah Paddeford of Taunton, and was mother of Asa (4), born in Rehoboth, February 6, 1750. He had boat-man uncle living down in Barrington, Rhode Island, so he appears to be located there, and enlisted between 1775 and 1780, and seems to have served at times around Cambridge as guard by the pay rolls. I think he became acquainted with Jabez Hayward and other Reading men who served in Rhode Island during the British raids on our South Shore, before the tide of war swept to Virginia. Abigail Blunt, born here 1762, daughter of Isaac Blunt and Mary Abbott, our tavern keeper of the Revolution, was married here to Asa Allen in 1781, and they went away to Barrington, where the children were born. He died there and she returned, by South church records, to Andover in 1825, and died in Andover shortly after. I may not have a full list of the children, but by our records, her son Isaac (5) married a Mitchell of Haverhill and drifted out of sight; George (5) I claim as one married Lucy Frye in 1825. Some one doubted his connection, but his daughter married Arthur Bean of Ballardvale and I hope to establish my theory. (5) Mary Kimball Allen married Joshua Swan of Haverhill, Abigail (5) married William Boardman of Reading, and her daughter Abigail Boardman (6) with her cousin, John Kimball

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Christmas Entertainment

The Christmas entertainment of the South Church Sunday-school was held last Tuesday afternoon and evening. The party was arranged by a committee of the Women's Union, and they are responsible for a bright and unusual and spirited celebration.

The afternoon party was for the kindergarten and the primary and intermediate departments. It was no occasion for weak nerves. What with Fling the Towel and Going to Jerusalem, Drop the Handkerchief, Stage-coach and boxing matches, the noise in the vestries was heard in Ballardvale. The afternoon ended with a light supper and presents brought up from the depths of Jack Horner pies. Ninety sat down to the supper.

The evening party for the senior and home departments brought together one hundred and fifty more. They sat around a grove of brown paper packages dangling from clothe-lines, and the members of each class in turn were blindfolded, and set to cutting down their own presents with scissors. Each guest had brought with him a present for another. So far as heard from, only one guest cut down and got back his own present.

Deaths

In Andover, 28 Cuba street, Dec. 26, 1908, Ellen MacFarlane Pert Dobbie, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dobbie.

In Andover, Monday, December 28, Mrs. K. Wylie Brown, wife of Benjamin Brown.

In Andover, Thursday, December 31, John Lovejoy Abbott, aged 86 years. Funeral, Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock from his late home, 37 Central street.

Card of Thanks

For many acts of kindness, beautiful flowers, and words of sympathy and helpfulness during the last months, we wish to thank all our neighbors and friends.

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Obliging Jordan.

By W. F. Bryan.

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"Well, sir?" asked Sidney.

George Jordan swung around in his office chair and regarded Sidney Harlan with a portentous frown.

"I thought I told you not to bother me again about Vera until you had money enough to support a wife."

"You did," assented Sidney, "but, you see—"

"I don't see you," broke in Jordan, "and I have had an eye on you, too, sir. You have some \$8,000 in the bank, drawing 3 per cent. I offered you an opportunity to invest it at 10 per cent, and you refused."

"But, you see, I thought—"

"That's the trouble. You don't think right!" thundered Jordan. "You are afraid to risk it in a speculation which, I believe, will do better even than the 10 per cent I prophesied. Then you hang on to that absurd farm which is bound to be valuable some day because it is on the water front."

"It is valuable already," interrupted Sidney. "In a year from now—"

"It will be worth just as much as it is worth today and will be the same five years hence. A paltry bank account and a hundred acres of your farm, and yet you insist that you are entitled to come here and bother me about Vera every six months. It's absurd. It wastes my time."

"But this time"—broke in Sidney pleadingly.

"Last time it was the rumor that a trolley line was to be built, and you wanted to cut your farm up into building lots. You're dippy about the value of that land. I've got 200 acres more



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than that I'll sell you for your \$8,000 cash. That's about \$40 an acre."

"I'll take you," agreed Sidney as he drew out his check book. "Will you have the transfer made out at once?"

Jordan stared incredulously. It seemed too good to be true. Though he was a rich man, Jordan was terribly pressed for ready cash with which to swing certain deals, and this \$8,000 would solve several financial problems.

Rising, he led the way across the hall to the offices of his lawyers, instructing them to make out a deed to Harlan, and the latter sat down to wait for it, being assured that it would require but a few minutes.

The clerk did not explain that a similar deed had been drawn up only a few weeks before, when Jordan had sought to sell the ground for half of what he was getting from Harlan.

The deal had fallen through, and it only remained to recopy the document with the new name and terms. In twenty minutes Harlan owned the property and an office boy was on his way to the bank with the check for Jordan.

Harlan followed Jordan to his own offices, but at the door the elder turned. "If you think you have won my admiration with any such grand stand play as this," he said brutally, "you have made a mistake. You're paying twice what that land is worth just to call my bluff. That's not the sort of man I want for a son-in-law. I want a man who can drive a bargain, not one who can be fooled the way you have been."

"If you will let me explain"—began Harlan; but, with a laugh, Jordan shut the door between them. He was still chuckling over the incident when a yard was brought in, to be followed by a sharp, eager looking man, a local real estate agent.

"Uncommon cheerful you look," commented the newcomer as he took a chair uninvited.

"Just been turning down my daughter's suitor and getting rid of a lot of useless real estate by loading it on him," responded Jordan, with a chuckle. "That's the seventh time I've told Harlan that he couldn't marry Vera."

"And you sold him that parcel of land out by the lake?" asked the other man.

Jordan nodded. "And at forty an

acre," he said, with a grin. "Got rid of the whole 200 acres. He's an idea that some of these days the land is going to be worth something. I knew he had \$8,000 in bank, and I let him buy the lot for just what he had. I bet he can't even pay the taxes."

"You haven't delivered the deeds yet, have you?"

"Did you think I was going to give him a chance to cool off?" demanded Jordan. "That's not my way of doing business. I just took him across the hall and had the deeds drawn and turned over to him. The money is in the bank by now."

"And you can't possibly get it back?" asked the other man anxiously.

"I couldn't be forced to take it back," was the answer, followed by a rumbling laugh. "I've put that parcel on poor Harlan so tight that it's going to stick. What's worrying you about it?"

"Jordan, Harlan didn't tell you that he had given forty acres of his land to the Mower and Reeper people, did he?" asked the agent.

"They're going to take a site on the other side of the river," said Jordan. "I picked up a few acres cheap just the other side of their plant. They employ several thousand people, and there will be a fortune in sites for homes for the workmen."

"They were planning to build over there," said the visitor slowly. "But the cost of the land was run up when it was discovered who wanted it. Then Harlan came along and heard of the deal and gave them forty acres outright and looked to the other sixty to make his profit. Now you've made him a present of 200 acres for \$40 when I came to offer you an even \$100 an acre."

For a moment Jordan's face purpled. He knew the ground, and he knew that the 300 acres were about all that could be used by the factory and the town that would arise near by.

It would be impossible to pick up any more land, for Harlan's holdings were on a peninsula, and the Jordan tract was immediately behind that. On the other side of the road was a marsh that it would scarcely pay to fill in. Harlan had the game in his own hands.

The visitor took his departure when he found that Jordan had no land to sell, and the old man was left alone to think things over. As the result of his cogitations he reached for the telephone and called up his house.

"Is young Harlan there?" he asked when he heard his daughter's voice in answer. "Tell him to wait," he added. "Ask him to stay to dinner. We might as well settle when you two are to be married."

"I wanted to let him in on my information," explained Sidney when Vera demanded light on the peculiar message. "It seems that he wants his son-in-law to be able to do him, and I did him—just to oblige."

"And you'll sell the land back to him?" urged Vera.

"Not a bit of it," asserted Harlan. "He wouldn't really like me if I did."

Dioxigen For the Mouth.

The merits of dioxigen as a mouth wash are not as well realized as they should be. It is easy to get and not expensive. A stoppered glass bottle of it should be on every washstand.

After eating, if one hasn't time to brush the teeth, the mouth should be rinsed out with diluted dioxigen. It is a strong antiseptic, keeps the teeth from decaying and protects the top of the mouth and gums from soreness or from creating and emanating a disagreeable odor.

The toothbrush should always be dipped in a little of it and brushed over the teeth and gums at morning and night, even after tooth paste is used.

The latter merely cleans the teeth. It does not disinfect the mouth. People do not pay enough attention to the inside of their mouths, even though they may be scrupulous about their teeth.

A Remedy For Choking.

Few people know that a very simple and effective remedy for choking is to raise the left arm as high as possible, which relieves the person much more rapidly than by the usual method of thumping him on the back, says a physician. Very frequently at meals and at play children get choked, and the customary manner of relieving them is to slap them sharply on the back. The effect of this is to set the obstruction free. The same thing can be brought about by raising the left hand of the child as high as possible, and the relief comes much more quickly. In happenings of this kind there should be no alarm, for if the child sees that other persons or parents get excited the effect is bad. The best thing is to tell the child to raise its left arm, and immediately the difficulty passes away.

Don't Snub Children.

Children love to be treated with courtesy and respect. They resent having their opinions and sentiments snubbed, and parents might learn a good deal from them and about them if they would encourage them to talk more freely of all they think and feel. We are hardened by the gathering years, and we have lost our keenest sense of what is the very truest and the very best. The contact of a child's mind with its pure vision is like a message straight from God.

Couldn't Stop Talking.

"Now, what are you going to do with that machine?" asks the lady of the photographer, to whom she had been talking continuously since she came into the studio.

"Pardon me, madam," replies the artist, "but the only way I can get your photograph and have a likeness is to take a moving picture."—Chicago Post.

SEIZED HIS CHANCE.

The Incident That First Brought Fame to Mr. Asquith.

The Right Hon. H. H. Asquith, now prime minister of Great Britain, was bound to distinguish himself sooner or later, even though he first became noted through what seemed mere chance.

Mr. Stead in the Review of Reviews tells of this piece of "luck" which paved the way to fortune.

Mr. Asquith was the junior counsel to Sir Charles Russell, afterward lord chief justice as Lord Russell of Killowen, in the famous Parnell commission. For nine months he was "immersed in the intricacies of that celebrated case. One day, while snatching a hasty lunch Sir Charles told Asquith that he would have to cross examine the next witness."

"This is most absurd!" exclaimed the astonished junior. "Mr. MacDonald is the next witness, and he is one of the most important. Of course you will cross examine him!"

"No," replied Sir Charles; "I am tired. You will do it well enough."

It was no use to protest. Asquith was dismayed. He was totally unprepared. MacDonald was supposed to be a shrewd, intelligent Scotchman who would prove more than a match for the ablest cross examiner.

When Mr. Asquith rose in the court he was at his wife's end. By good fortune he put a question which was answered by the witness in a supremely silly fashion. Mr. Asquith saw at once that he could play his fish with good results. He did so, and the process was one of the most brilliant displays of skill ever witnessed at the bar. Poor Mr. MacDonald was turned inside out and held up to a scoffing world, from which he gained the title of Simple Simon.

Mr. Asquith that day established a reputation throughout the nation. He had seized his chance and made use of it.

Lady Randolph's Repartee.

Lady Randolph has a sense of humor, or perhaps I should say wit, as exemplified in a short passage at arms with Bernard Shaw. She wrote a polite note to that gentleman asking him if he would come to a luncheon party, to which he curtly replied:

"Certainly not. What have I done to provoke such an attack upon my well known habit?"

To which she answered:

"Know nothing of your habits. Hope they are not as bad as your manners."

To this telegram Mr. Shaw wrote a long letter excusing himself on the ground that he did not eat "the unfortunate dead animals and things" that were usually provided for luncheons. As one always expects Mr. Shaw to be amusing, even at the expense of politeness, one is seldom disappointed.—Putnam's Magazine.

Greenough Statue Goes Begging.

The Rev. Edward Anderson of President's Hill, Quincy, has come into possession of a statue by R. S. Greenough, the Boston sculptor, which he has sought in vain to present to the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, the Public Library and other institutions.

This statue is the artist's conception of "Christ Awakening in the Tomb." The statue is now packed away in a store-room of the Boston Public Library, and its possessor is endeavoring to find some institution or even cemetery that will accept it. Mr. Greenough made this statue to be placed over the grave of a friend in Rome.—New York Tribune.

An Observatory For the Public.

The only genuine public observatory in the world is at Zurich, Switzerland. It is open every evening to the public and during the past six months was visited by no fewer than 25,000 people.

The telescope, which is mounted in an entirely new and ingenious way, is seventeen feet six inches long and weighs fourteen tons. Its object glass is twelve inches in diameter. Attached to the instrument is a projecting screen, upon which objects in the heavens are thrown for the benefit of those waiting to get a peep through the telescope itself.—Popular Mechanics.

PORTLAND, MAINE, CHILD

Ill, Weak and Emaciated, Restored to Health by Vinol.

"Our little daughter, six years of age, after a severe attack of the measles, which developed into pneumonia, was left pitifully thin, weak and emaciated. She had no appetite, and her stomach was so weak it could not retain food. She lay in this condition for weeks, and nothing the doctor prescribed did a bit of good, and we were beginning to think she would never recover."

"At this time we commenced to give her Vinol, and the effect was marvelous. The doctor was amazed at her progress, and when we told him we were giving her Vinol, he replied, 'It is a fine remedy, keep it up.' We did so, and she recovered her health and strength months before the doctor thought she could." J. W. Flagg, Portland, Me.

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CASTRO GETS OUT OF HOSPITAL

He Submits to Interview on Affairs in Venezuela

DID NOT SUSPECT UPRISING

Says He Would Have Remained at Home Even Though His Life Was Imperilled—Has No Fear of Extra-Action and Has Something to Say of International Affairs—Thinks His Action Justified

Berlin, Dec. 30.—Senor Castro left the hospital, and returned to the Esplanade Hotel Tuesday afternoon. He granted an interview to The Associated Press correspondent last night. The former president was asked if there was any truth in the statement published in various newspapers to the effect that he left Venezuela knowing what was going to happen.

Senor Castro at first refused to discuss the matter and then calmly made the following reply:

"No, for if I had even suspected such a thing, I would have remained in Venezuela, even had my life been imperilled through ill health, because I have always been and am now the slave to honor and duty. The only fear I have is the fear of God."

"It is rumored that the Venezuelan government will request your extradition from Germany in order to indict you," Castro was informed.

"I do not consider that possible," replied Castro, "since no such convention is in existence between Venezuela and Germany excepting that which relates to trade marks and is dated 1882. Extradition treaties exist only with Belgium, Spain and Bolivia. But even supposing such an intention exists, only the slightest hint is necessary and I am willing to go to Venezuela and prove my political honor. I believe I would be the gainer from this in the public opinion."

"In regard to international affairs concerning the foreign policy of Venezuela, I would suggest that an international tribunal should judge me, to prove that Venezuela has right and reason, provided that if such right should be proven justice might be accorded to Venezuela and to me."

Senor Castro declined for the present to give any further statement, but he discussed the events in Venezuela since the change in government, expressing pleasure that there has been so little bloodshed there.

He thought that his brother, General Celestino Castro, had acted correctly in obeying orders to submit and give up the arms and ammunition in his charge, thus avoiding a conflict.

Concerning the intention of President Gomez to settle the outstanding foreign questions, Castro believed that Gomez was acting as he thought best, but declared that the action of Venezuela hitherto was justified. He did not intend, however, to interfere in the progress of events and had not communicated with Venezuela in any way.

Castro is still under the care of Dr. Israel. Castro goes out daily in an automobile. He lives quietly and is strictly following the regimen laid out for him. Dr. Israel says that an operation will not be necessary; his patient's ailment is painful, although not at all dangerous.

PEACE TREATY SIGNED

Means Termination of Long War With Yaquis in Mexico

Nogales, Ariz., Dec. 30.—The long war with Yaqui Indians in Mexico, in which scores have been killed at different times, including many Americans, has been terminated.

A treaty of peace has been agreed upon by three Indian chiefs and 166 of their followers and the governor of the state of Sonora, Mex.

Killed by Enraged Bull.

Rockville, Conn., Dec. 29.—Horace S. Lyman, 60 years old, a farmer living near Talcottville, was killed by a bull while attempting to drive it into a barn. The animal turned on Lyman, tossing him in the air, then trampling on him. An arm, a leg and several ribs were broken and internal injuries inflicted.

Merger of Trolley Lines

New York, Dec. 29.—Plans for the consolidation into one company of various trolley lines acquired by the New York Central railroad are well under way, with the expectation that they will be completed before March 31, 1930.

Sixty Miles in Aeroplane

Le Mans, France, Dec. 31.—Willbur Wright made another long flight here, remaining in the air for one hour and fifty-two minutes and covering a distance of sixty miles. He was obliged to stop on account of the intense cold.

County Treasurer Robbed

Woonsocket, R. I., Dec. 30.—County Treasurer Michael Meir was held up in his office by two masked men and robbed of \$5087 in cash. The robbers escaped.

Attell Knocks Out MacKay

New Orleans, Dec. 30.—Abe Attell retained the featherweight championship by knocking out "Big" MacKay in the eighth round here last night.

FURTHER ARRESTS LIKELY

Henry May Investigate the Alleged Bribery Cases at Pittsburgh

Pittsburg, Dec. 28.—Officially there are no developments in Pittsburgh's municipal scandal. No additional arrests have been made and no action for or against the seven accused councilmen and two former bankers arrested last Monday night has been taken. That the Voters' League has evidence to warrant other arrests and that these will be made when the time is deemed propitious is all that any officer of the league will say.

There is a rumor that Francis J. Henry, who was conspicuous in the San Francisco graft prosecutions, is coming here shortly, at the request of President Roosevelt, to investigate the alleged bribery so far as it is connected with federal institutions. According to Washington reports Henry was in conference with the president Saturday on the Pittsburgh situation.

KAISER'S "BEST WISHES"

Conveyed to President Roosevelt by New German Ambassador

Washington, Dec. 31.—Cordial expressions of good feeling were exchanged between President Roosevelt and Count Von Bernstorff, the new German ambassador, who was formally presented to Roosevelt at the White House.

The latter Bernstorff presented from the emperor of Germany accrediting him as ambassador expressed the "best wishes" which the emperor ever cherished for the happiness and welfare of the United States. The president said that the emperor's expressions of friendship and good will are cordially appreciated and he trusted the cordial feelings existing would tend to promote and strengthen the friendly relations between the two countries.

ONCE A SUPREME POWER IN POLITICS

Mathue's Death Perhaps Hastened by Graft Exposure

Media, Pa., Dec. 31.—William L. Mathue, former state treasurer of Pennsylvania, died suddenly at his home here, aged 46 years.

The cause of death was given by his physicians as pneumonia, but it is generally believed that this illness was superinduced by Mathue's tribulations which were brought upon him by the Harrisburg capitol graft cases, and his recent sentence of two years in the penitentiary for his part in the alleged conspiracy against the state.

For many years Mathue was recognized as one of the political leaders of Pennsylvania and his power in Delaware county politics was supreme until the exposure of the capitol frauds by his successor as state treasurer, William H. Berry.

Pending an appeal to the superior court Mathue and three others who were sentenced at the same time last March were released on \$25,000 bail each.

ABE RUEF SENTENCED

Boss of 'Frisco Grafters Gets Fourteen Years in Prison

San Francisco, Dec. 30.—Abraham Ruef, formerly political boss of San Francisco, was sentenced to fourteen years in the state penitentiary.

Sentence was pronounced by Judge Lawler, who presided over Ruef's trial on the charge of bribing a member of the Schmitz board of supervisors in the award of an overhead trolley franchise to the United Railroads.

Ethel Roosevelt's Debut.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Last night, in the historic east room of the White House, beautifully decorated for the occasion, President Roosevelt's youngest daughter, Ethel, made her debut. Preceding the dancing in the east room, which began at 10 o'clock, Mrs. Roosevelt and Miss Roosevelt received the invited guests in the blue room. Miss Roosevelt's gown was of white satin, trimmed with crystals, while that of her mother was of dark blue satin.

Anna Wins Against Boni

Paris, Dec. 31.—The petition of Count Boni de Castellane that the custody of his three sons be given to his mother was denied. The court ruled that the children remain in the custody of the mother, Princess de Sagan. The princess, before she married De Castellane, from whom she secured a divorce, was Miss Anna Gould of New York.

Disagrees With Doctors

Washington, Dec. 30.—John Early, the North Carolina leper, who has been housed here for a long period, has for the past two months refused to take the medicine prescribed for him, saying that he is confident he is not afflicted with leprosy and that the municipal government is depriving him of his liberty.

Won't Go to Philippines

Washington, Dec. 30.—Captain Edward B. Cassatt, thirteenth cavalry, U. S. A., a son of the late president of the Pennsylvania road, has resigned his commission in the army, to take effect when the thirteenth cavalry goes to the Philippines in March.

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OLD FASHION REVIVED.

The Samplers of Our Grandmothers' Time in Vogue.

It was a great pity when the samplers of our grandmothers' time went out of fashion, for they helped many a little girl to learn how to properly handle a needle. For this reason it is good news to hear that there is now some chance of the mistake being rectified. It is said that the old crewel work is to return. Give any little girl a bit of canvas and some bright zephyrs and let her fashion the thing in her own way. The work will surely be interesting. It will keep the busy little hands out of mischief, and the result will often be surprisingly good.

If the diminutive lassie is allowed to choose and execute her own conception of a design the work will be doubly beneficial, for it frequently develops some latent talent.

The secret of making a task attractive lies in not letting the child work off its first enthusiasm. Any child or any grown person, for that matter, will attack a thing in the beginning with all the joy that is felt when any new task is undertaken. Unfortunately the first time the work is taken up it is continued so long that unaccustomed hands become tired and the constant effort grows irksome. Make it a pleasant task, something to look forward to, a reward for good behavior, and in this way the novelty is preserved and the work does not cease to be interesting.

It is much the same with dolls. Take them away before they get to be too familiar, before the inquiring little brains, for the sake of something new, destroy the treasured possessions. If this is done there will always be some novelty to produce when days are long and rainy.

Jones' Van Dyck.

People told Jones that his youth was against him—he looked too young. If he wanted to rise rapidly in his profession he would have to grow a few hi-torial decorations.

He started a Van Dyck. His wife watched its growth critically. She didn't take to it—said she married a young man, not a professor. The whiskers grew and grew, and hubby looked more and more like a pirate. Willy tried to talk him out of them, but he insisted they were an actual necessity in his profession.

One morning Jones woke up with his chin feeling moist and sticky. He rubbed his hand over his face foliage and found it wet. Then he opened his eyes and saw his wife standing over him with a bottle of peroxide in her hand. Filled with alarm, he jumped out of bed and over to the mirror. Already the stuff that makes blonde to order had done its work. That primeval growth was red, yellow and white, even as the growing corn. Jones had to wipe the dust off his razor and remove the chin weeds.

"I suppose you think you've done something pretty smart," he observed to Mrs. Jones grumpily as he removed another bunch. "You've ruined my profession, that's what you've done."

"Hether smooth shaven competency," averred his wife sweetly, "than whiskered luxury."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The Moving Force.

A teacher after giving some lessons on physical force asked, "Now, boys, can any of you tell me what force it is that moves people along the street?"

He was greatly surprised and the class highly amused at receiving from one of the boys the unexpected answer:

"Please, sir, the police force."

She Saw the Reason.

Notices and warnings on placards do not begin to make the impression upon the public that one individual experience will. Every woman knows that in all postoffices are cards begging persons to put their names and addresses on all valuable letters that they may be returned in case they cannot be delivered. One woman, at least, has seen and disregarded them for years, but in the future she will do differently. Last month she had occasion to send away \$10 and put one bill of that denomination in an envelope, which she neither registered nor wrote on the back for return. The letter was never delivered, and the woman was obliged to send another bill, this time registered. One day her first letter came back to her after six weeks of wandering.

She found that she had used one of her husband's business envelopes, on which were stamped his name and address, and because she had misdirected it in the first place it had come back to the name printed at the top. Thus she is in \$10, and when she sends money again by mail there is no doubt that the letter will have her own name on the outside as well as that of the addressee.

Dark, Spare Men as Husbands.

"If young women would study the chromatic characteristics of men more closely before betrothing themselves," said the woman who thinks deeply, "there would be fewer unhappy marriages. A man's complexion and general build have much to do with his

The Tallest Actress.

The distinction of being the tallest actress belongs to Miss Irene Smith, who plays La Bebe Bax in the new Drury Lane drama. She stands six feet one and one-half inches in her stockings. It seems somewhat incongruous that she should wear high heels, her hair brushed high over a pad and a high hat in order to give a greater impression of height. This is, however, what she does so as to realize the description of being six feet four inches in height, in accordance with the design of the authors.—London Tit-Bits.

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THE SEASON'S ENTERTAINMENT

THE BOSTON SHOW

Globe.

Mr. A. L. Wilbur is presenting at the Globe theatre this week an American play entitled "The Great Question."

It is not a great question which is asked in this play but there is in it the exposition of a great fact, the fact of heredity. It is true that in the combination of circumstances from which Mr. Paulding has constructed his play there lies the possibility of a great question but he has not asked it. From the rising of the curtain to the going down of the same, we are presented with a definite thesis, a thesis as old as the Old Testament, that the sins of the fathers should be visited upon the children into the third and fourth generation. In external conditions alone is it a "modern problem play."

The story is not new. The unimpeachable justice of the supreme court is to be bribed to render a wrong decision in favor of a great corporation. He is absolutely incorruptible. No glittering argument of the railway president or his subtler lawyer can tempt him. At the moment when failure seems inevitable, a chance puts the proofs of the judge's one sin into the hands of the lawyer. Immediately he attempts to obtain by the force of fear what he could not accomplish by bribery.

Grand Opera House

"The Montana Limited" is the bright, breezy, virile play at the Grand Opera house this week. It is realistic too, especially the real train. The engine is real. It snorts real smoke; a real man sits in the engine cab, and another real man stands atop one of the cars, swinging a lantern. Of course, the train has nothing whatever to do with the play, but it wins as much applause as any of the vital situations.

Twin brothers, and the consequent confusion of the good one with the other—who heads a gang of horse thieves—starts the plot moving. There are numerous encounters between the sheriff's posse, of which the good brother is a member, and the gang, led by the bad brother. The gang mistakes the hero for the villain, the heroine mistakes the hero for the villain, and the very wicked greaser does all possible to prevent an explanation.

Sportsmen's Show

The Sportsmen's show is now in full swing at Mechanic's building. The groupings of the different departments are: under "Forestry" are grouped tree culture, forest botany, collections of seeds, insects injurious to trees, native woods, forest industries, and instruments used by foresters and lumbermen. Under "Food and Game Fishes" will be classed aquatic life with living specimens of marine and fresh water fishes, fish culture, food for fish, aquatic plant life, appropriate casts and drawings and anglers' equipments; preserved fish, literature and taxidermy. Group C, concerns "animals" with specimens and collections of living animals, skins and furs, taxidermy and record heads of forest animals native to New

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LOCAL ATTRACTIONS

Colonial Theatre

The management of the Colonial theatre has arranged a fine bill for this week at this popular playhouse and crowded houses should be the rule all this week. The headline number will be presented by Barrows, Lancaster and Company, who will be seen in "Like Father, Like Son," written by Jean Pardee Clark.

The Three Demons, a cycling sensation direct from the other side, from the circus Schumann, Berlin. This act, which makes its first appearance in Lawrence, consists of two men and a woman on a little round table which spins at a terrific speed making 60 revolutions a minute with the riders going in the opposite direction. This apparatus is worked by electricity, rising up and down in the air on perpendicular posts. The table also slants at different angles while the performers are riding, providing a spectacular exhibition, the like of which has never been seen in America.

Katherine Nelson and Elizabeth Otto will be seen in a diversified comedy introducing character songs and piano playing, which include a fine act. The act has gone very big all over the Keith circuit. This act is said to be well worth the price of the show. Cal Stewart, the man who makes the phonograph rub records, will introduce his "Corner Grocery Store Talker" number that is so much talked about. Maurice Cook has just returned from Europe and is ready to present to the theatre-going public his eccentric number that is such a hit. The Vynos in "The Musical Farmyard" and Miss Margaret Anden and company in "The Burglar," are the other acts on the coming bill.

Lawrence Opera House

Henry W. Savage's charming production of the alluring Viennese operetta, "The Merry Widow," has taken Boston by storm, and is breaking everywhere all past records that big stage successes have attained. By theatrical statisticians, who deal in box office traditions, "The Merry Widow" is said to be the biggest hit in stage history and judging from the universal success that has marked the production of the piece throughout the world, their statement undoubtedly is correct.

In her three short years of existence "The Merry Widow" has been produced in over 300 European cities, while almost every civilized country in the world has enjoyed the seductive melodies of Franz Lehar's wonderful score.

Mr. Savage will offer the original production of "The Merry Widow" at the Lawrence Opera House, Friday and Saturday, January 1 and 2, with matinee both days.

England. Under Group D will be found almost everything to do with game, song and insectivorous birds such as specimens and collections of living birds, skins and undressed feathers, collections of eggs and taxidermy. Group E has to do with trade exhibits such as industries associated with hunting, fishing, field sports and games, ancient weapons and trophies. Group F will have to do with "Art associated with forestry, fish and game" such as appropriate oil paintings. Group G consists of loan exhibits by the United States and Canadian governments, from the various States and Territories, clubs and associations, from private individuals and miscellaneous.

Orpheum

It's "the Grand Old Lady of the stage," Mrs. Annie Yeamans, who makes the great big hit at the Orpheum this week. She demurely confesses to have been on the boards 63 years, but it would seem that, like another famous dame, age cannot wither nor custom stale her infinite variety. With her pretty black and white gown, just sufficiently lack and spangly, her bonnet and her black mitts, she is like a tiny glorified grandmamma.

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Blunt were parents of our Lois Blunt (7), and her brother John of North Parish. There were Lammus cousins of Lynn doing credit to the line in 1903, when I last heard from them. (5) John C. Allen (whose name probably was not Chandler, and led me in to errors till I got the family tradition) was connected with Andover Press early in bookbinding. John C. Allen learned his trade at the old office on the Hill, with Samuel Morrill and Wardwell and Griffin and John Trow, etc., in the days when men were turned out fully equipped for all emergencies; and our Andover Press of today may prove to have kept the old standard of first class work. Mrs. Bucklin gave a sketch of the old days when the Allens helped, but I have filed it in the wrong place, so refer you to old Townsman articles. Two sons survived, (6) Henry S. Allen of New York and (6) John K. Allen, whose daughters have visited their Andover cousins, closely related by the marriage of John C. Allen with Hannah Blunt, aunt of Lois Blunt of Andover. Charles (6) died here at Mr. Graffam's of consumption, single, by trade a binder.

(5) Joseph Varnham Allen who married Lucy Farnham, probably owed his name to Gen. Joseph Varnham of Dracut, a popular military leader in the Revolution, and very likely Asa served under him. Lucy died of consumption in 1857 at 76. Joseph went to Haverhill to visit a son and died there 1868.

The eldest son, Joseph Farnham (6), who married Catherine Carleton of Methuen, lived in North Andover, and her only son was one of our five promising young men who were drowned together one summer day on Lake Cochichewick. Samuel James (6) died at 17 and was followed by his brother, Henry Varnham, a little later. Lucy Jane (6), born 1820, married Joseph Eaton of Reading, and is still with us, residing with her son Frank (7), in North Parish. George Oakes (6), whose name I would like to follow back, died in Philadelphia, as did his two only daughters. John Hasket (6), a fine portly man I recall in my childhood, came home from the city to die of small pox in the old house opposite the Baptist church. Charles (6) lived in Kingston, N. H., and Haverhill with his wife, Ethelinda Bailey, a sister of Mrs. Cooley, and I think a daughter married her cousin, Eaton, of North Andover.

Eliza Allen (6) was a woman of remarkable force of character and courage. I always felt when I watched her firm tread that she should have been a man and captain of a big liner. She bore with cheerful confidence in an overruling Guide, the burdens laid upon her by her husband's blindness and passed to her higher sphere of duty painlessly and suddenly, as all strong people leave us. I think only her son Joseph Frye of Gorvendale and our resident William (7) are left to us. Blanchard Frye (8) seems to have taken on his grandmother's ambition. The Record recently had a little squib, relating the zeal of a girl of seven, who when asked why she worked so incessantly at her books, "Somebody said the education of a child begins with its grandmother, and I expect to be one sometime." So we look for much from Madam Frye's grandson with the maternal ancestry from old England to teach him. Walter B. Allen (6), last of the name to survive in Andover, born here 1831, laid down his heartache and entered into a joyful reunion with the ancestors, 1896.

His widow, Eliza A. Findley, from old Montrose, Scotland, is still writing her record upon our hearts, with Carrie, the daughter, wife of Milo Gould. When our careless old Mother Earth slipped her embrace too closely about little James Allen, at play, something came back from the angel school where he was in training to the hearts of these parents that worked for Andover a new and grand atmosphere for our Home for the Homeless, built by money paid to Asa Allen's comrades and fellow countrymen after the close of the two wars about 1832. Some of the old veterans survived and won the day and the \$3 apiece for every man and woman and child in Andover stands there in solid brick—a Home, in fact. I expect to find a refuge there myself if I should follow the trick of many of my line who were spinsters, who lived to 100. The story of how Walter and Eliza Allen made this Home a place that took first rank in the State, still remains to be written. Why couldn't we name it the "Walter Allen Home" and drop the false title of "Almshouse." The real Almshouse to me is the new one projected from "gifts" to a "corporation." The old Brick House donated and owned by Andover town and supported by Andover taxes for over seventy years is a part of my own inheritance from my great grandire, Aaron Noyes, the drummer boy of 1775, and why not name this Federal building by a worthy name like those perpetuated in the schools here. Incorporate this in a resolution in Town meeting articles and I "guess it will go." And what Andover does with her unique old Home will lead other towns in Essex County to act likewise and give worthy poor a standing. C. H. A.

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UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.
Rev. Augustus H. Fuller, Pastor.
Services for Sunday, January 3.
10.30 a.m. Worship with sermon by Pastor, followed by communion.
Sunday school to follow.
2.30 p.m. Meeting of Juniors.
6.15 p.m. Y. P. S. C. E.
7.00 p.m. Praise service with address by Pastor.
7.30 p.m. Tuesday evening. Special prayer-meeting.
7.30 p.m. Thursday evening. Special prayer-meeting.
7.30 p.m. Friday evening. Special prayer-meeting.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.
Rev. A. E. Worman, Pastor.
Services for Sunday, January 3.
10.30 a.m. Worship, with sermon by Rev. H. W. Farrington of Boston.
Sunday school to follow.
3.00 p.m. Epworth League Juniors.
6.00 p.m. Epworth League.
7.00 p.m. Praise service with address by Rev. H. W. Farrington.
7.30 p.m. Thursday evening. Prayer meeting.

Mrs. John Cockran has been quite ill.

Mrs. John Haggerty has been very ill.

John Shaw, of Brockton, spent Friday with relatives here.

Mrs. Mary A. Fessenden is confined to her home by illness.

Miss Bertha Farrell is visiting relatives in New Boston, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Beeley spent Christmas with relatives in Methuen.

Charles Conway, of Brockton, spent Christmas with relatives here.

Mrs. Lizzie S. Barnes, of Dedham, is the guest of Mrs. Mary A. Fessenden.

Clarke Morrison, of Lawrence, spent Christmas with relatives in the Vale.

Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Shattuck spent Christmas with relatives in the Vale.

Miss Mary Priest is spending the week with relatives in Bridgeport, Conn.

Frank Welch, of Boston, spent Christmas with his aunt, Miss Nellie Welch.

Miss Mae Knox, of Weymouth, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Albert G. Farrell.

Mr. and Mrs. Foster Matthews, of Medford, spent Christmas with relatives in the Vale.

Miss Ruth Priest, of Bridgeport, Conn., is spending the week with relatives in the Vale.

Miss Dolly McGovern, of St. John's Hospital, Lowell, spent Christmas with relatives here.

Miss Florence Simpson and Miss Isabel Miller spent Sunday with friends in Reading.

Mrs. J. W. Stark and daughter, Gertrude, spent Wednesday with relatives in Amesbury.

Miss Elsie Herrick, of Somerville, spent Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Mary E. Herrick.

Frank W. Fletcher, of Franklin, N. H., is the guest this week of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Haynes.

Miss M. B. Quigley, of Waltham, was the guest Monday of the Misses Linda and Margaret Clinton.

Miss Fannie S. White and Glover Saunders were the guests Christmas of Mrs. John Howell, Andover.

Mr. and Mrs. George White, of Lexington, were the guests Christmas of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Loomer.

E. F. Ruggles, of Baltimore, Md., has been the guest during the week of Mr. and Mrs. Willis B. Hodgkins.

Michael Welch, of Lawrence, was the guest Christmas of his sisters, the Misses Nellie and Mary Welch.

Dr. Arthur H. Ruggles, of Providence, R. I., spent Christmas with his sister, Mrs. Willis B. Hodgkins.

Miss Grace Hughes and Miss Marion Rogers, of Goffstown, N. H., spent Christmas with friends in the Vale.

Frank L. York and Charles L. Dorrington, of Watervliet, N. Y., were the guests Saturday of friends in the Vale.

The Misses Nellie and Eva Burke of Providence, R. I., spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Burke.

William F. Curtis has recently purchased a valuable prize bull for his stock farm, which all that have seen pronounce a beauty.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Edwin Shaw and son, Benjamin, of Melrose Highlands, were the guests Christmas of Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Fleury.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Kendall and son, Leon Kendall of Dartmouth College, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Warren Kendall, Somerville.

Mrs. Converse Parker and daughter, Ruth, and Mrs. Clester E. Matthews and children, were the guests Wednesday of Mr. and Mrs. Foster Matthews of Medford.

The Bradley Mothers' Club will hold their regular meeting in the kindergarten room, January 7, at 3 o'clock. Mrs. A. E. Worman will speak, and all the members are requested to be present.

The successful winners of the prizes offered by Joseph B. Scott, were: first prize, a 10-lb. turkey, Mrs. Foster A. Matthews, No. 1205; second prize, a 10-lb. turkey, Mrs. Lizzie Partridge, No. 432.

The concert by the Commonwealth Quartet, assisted by Miss Edith Barnes Arcey, held in Bradlee hall last Wednesday evening, was remarkably fine and was without doubt the very best concert ever given in this vicinity.

Adisson P. Woson, although at present living in his winter home in Gloucester, still remembers the best interests of our Village, and has again sent his annual donation of \$10.00 to each of the three churches in Ballardvale. Such impartial generosity and painstaking interest in the welfare of our Village is indeed refreshing and is an encouragement and inspiration for members of all creeds and denominations to work together harmoniously for the best interests of our Village.

Obituaries

MISS MARY BERTHA TURNER
Miss Mary Bertha Turner died last Sunday afternoon at 6 o'clock at the Lawrence General hospital, from the effects of a very critical operation that she underwent last Saturday afternoon. Her age was 41 years. The deceased was born in Haslingden, England, and came to this country when quite young with her parents and came to Ballardvale and has since resided here. Her very sudden death came as a severe shock to the community where she was well known and had many friends. Besides her father, Patrick Turner, she leaves a sister, Ellen A., and a brother, Patrick J., to mourn her loss. The funeral was held Wednesday forenoon at 9 o'clock from St. Joseph's church. Rev. Father Donovan officiated. The floral tributes were very beautiful and consisted of a pillow from the family, cross and crown from the weavers of the Ballardvale Mills Co., mound, basket, Mrs. Emil Hoffman, spray, Mrs. Patrick Dempsey and family, Mrs. Annie Tschauder, cross, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Dempsey and family, spray, Mrs. Joseph Tschauder, spray, Mrs. Hannah Oldroyd and family.

The pall bearers were Edward Turner, Michael Donohue, Charles Whelan, Patrick Dempsey, John Manion, Michael Dempsey. Interment in family lot in St. Augustine's cemetery, Andover.

MISS ELLEN V. BURNS

Miss Ellen V. Burns, one of our well known and most highly respected ladies, died Christmas afternoon at 4 o'clock, after a protracted illness, at her home on Andover street, at the age of 38 years. The deceased was born in Andover, and came to Ballardvale when a small child and has resided here ever since. Her kindly disposition won for her a large circle of friends, all of whom learned to prize her friendship and who sincerely mourn her loss. She leaves six brothers, William T., John A., Daniel A., James J., David, and Charles.

The funeral was held Monday forenoon from St. Joseph's church, Rev. Father Donovan officiating at the mass. The many beautiful floral tributes showed the high esteem in which she was held by her many friends and acquaintances.

Interment took place in the family lot in St. Augustine's cemetery, Andover.

Congregational Christmas Tree

The Congregational Christmas tree exercises in Bradlee hall, last week Thursday evening, were largely attended. The exercises were somewhat different than usual and the applause and encouragement of the audience showed clearly that they fully appreciated the exceptionally fine program.

The Christmas cantata, "A Christmas Message", certainly earned the plaudits of those present and many were the words of commendation and praise heard for Joseph E. Stott for his earnest and persistent work in training the children.

The cantata was given by the following strong cast of characters: Santa Claus, Holmes E. Bates; Winter, Miss Lottie Metcalf; Jack Frost, Foster Matthews; Storm Herald, Eldon Fleury; Bob Bluster, Edmund Farrell; Blanche, Ada Matthews; Louise, Bertha Farrell; Kate, Ida Clemons; Willie, Dewey Dawson. The children were assisted in the singing by a chorus behind the scenes which added greatly to the success of the cantata. Santa Claus, in the person of Holmes E. Bates, carried out his part in a very realistic and clever manner, bringing pleasure and delight to the heart of every child present.

The fine playing of the Colonial Orchestra, which rendered several appropriate selections during the evening, contributed largely towards making it the very best Christmas tree exercises ever held by the Sunday school.

Methodist Christmas Tree

There was a large attendance at the Christmas tree exercises held in the Methodist church last Thursday evening. The tree was arranged and decorated in such a manner that it presented an exceptionally attractive and pleasing appearance. The entertainment was good and consisted of recitations by the following named persons, interspersed by selections by the choir and familiar hymns by the audience. Leold Shattuck, Alice Coates, Glover Saunders, Ada Colbath, Harold Walker, Gertrude Stark, Roland Winn, Charles Hazlett. Santa Claus, impersonated by Herbert Bake, who was perfectly at home as this character, caused great merriment and joy among the children, whose main desire on these occasions is to see Santa Claus. It was indeed an occasion where joy and happiness reigned supreme.

Cards of Thank-

My brothers and I take these means to thank our neighbors and friends for their many acts of kindness during our late bereavement.

D. A. BURNS.

We take this means of thanking our friends and neighbors for their kindness and sympathy during our recent sad bereavement.

PATRICK TURNER AND FAMILY.

NORTH ANDOVER

B. Holt Farnham lost a valuable horse last Saturday.

Harry Gallant and family, of Lynn, spent Christmas in town.

Peter Holt has been confined to his home by illness for a week.

John A. Loring is passing a three weeks' recess at his home in the Centre.

The Charitable Union met Wednesday evening at their rooms at the Centre.

The Johnson High School reopened Monday after the Christmas recess.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dow and family came out from Boston to pass Christmas.

Miss Lois A. Blunt, of Marblehead, spent Christmas with relatives in Andover.

Calvin Rea, of Bruin Hill farm, has been confined to his home by an attack of grippe.

Leon H. Bassett, of the River District, has returned to his home from a visit in Auburn, Me.

Fred G. Foss, of Providence, R. I., is visiting at Hemlock Grove farm in the Pond District.

There will be a regular meeting of Cochichewick lodge, A. F. and A. M., this evening (Friday).

Miss Marion Appleton has returned to "The Homestead" after several weeks spent in Boston.

Miss Hannah R. Bailey, of Boston, spent Christmas in town with her sister, Miss Laura A. Bailey.

Miss Celeste Allbright, of Dorchester, spent Sunday with Miss Elizabeth Phelps on Salem street.

William Byers and family, of Newton Centre, are passing two weeks at their home in the Pond District.

Proctor Chandler and Ernest H. Wood, Lowell Textile students, are at their homes for the Christmas recess.

Colonel Appleton, of New York, is passing a week with his brother, Charles A. Appleton, at "The Homestead".

The annual meeting of St. Paul's parish will take place in the parish house on Thursday evening, January 7.

Sam D. Stevens and family, who are passing the winter in Boston, are at their summer home in town for the holidays.

Sidney C. Rea, a student at Burdett's Business college, Lynn, is spending his vacation at his home, Bruin Hill farm.

Master Rudolph and Frank Bernhardt and Miss Helen Bernhardt, of the Farnham District, spent Christmas with relatives in Lawrence.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Goodhue and daughter, of East Braintree, passed the holidays with Mrs. Goodhue's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Rea.

Palfrey Perkins, of Salem, a Harvard divinity student, occupied the pulpit at the Old North church Sunday morning. He will preach there again next Sunday.

A merry Christmas party gathered at the Fuller farm on Christmas day: Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Fuller of Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. George Fuller and family of Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest P. Fuller and family of Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Clark and family of town, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer F. Humphrey of Lynn, and Mr. and Mrs. John A. Currier and family of Haverhill, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hill of Merrimac.

Christmas Tree Festivities

There was a large attendance at the Christmas festival and tree at St. Paul's church Saturday evening. Rev. H. U. Munro presided over the program.

Recitation, Miss Harriett Marston
Recitation, James Shaw
Cradle Song, Warren Towne, Alfred Shaw, John Stone, Lester Shaw, Irving Mitchell.

Recitation, Miss Helen Bruce Solo,
Richard Greenwood
Recitation, Miss Leone Staples
Recitation, Miss Ethel Duce Solo.
Enos Lowe, Jr.
Violin Solo, Miss Hazel Somerville.
Miss Alice Drew was accompanist.
Santa Claus was impersonated by Arthur Highton and the gifts were distributed by H. U. Munro, Raymond Towne, and H. Birney Bedell.

Special Meeting

A special town meeting was held in Stevens hall Monday evening. Not much interest was taken by the townspeople, there being only 20 persons present. James Leitch read the warrant and A. P. Chickering was chosen moderator.

The following motion, presented by Peter Holt, was passed:

That, the treasurer and selectmen jointly be authorized in behalf of the town to borrow money in a sum not in excess of ten thousand (\$10,000), and up to that amount if necessary, at current rates of interest to meet current and anticipated obligations arising before the next annual meeting; and to issue promissory notes of the town signed by treasurer and selectmen, jointly, payable each within one year from date thereof. The meeting then dissolved.

At the annual meeting of Wauwinet lodge, I. O. O. F., held Wednesday evening, the following officers were chosen for the ensuing term:

N. G.—Wilbur W. Ward.
V. G.—Lem H. Lawrence.
R. S.—William G. Ayer.
F. S.—Thomas P. Wentworth.
T.—Abbott Prescott.

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TELEPHONE

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a little longer than they usually do? All day the express teams and the postman are to be seen bringing little tokens from home friends. I used to read a story which I wrote each year some time in the day at a pleasant religious service when we used to have Jubilee and Glee Club songs and the beautiful college song written, both music and words, by one of our colored professors, was also sung with a will. Then came dinner. The woman who has charge of the dining room buys so many things at the market all the year through that the trades people there put down the price of their turkey so as to cost less than beef and there is a great big turkey at every table and when one can have that and a few other "fixins" a fine Christmas dinner can be served. After dinner the young men have a game of ball and the young women have their games on the ground of the Ladies' Hall. In the evening there is a social. There are games and before the evening is over the big dining-room is so arranged that the young people can march to and fro to good marches. At ten o'clock the bell rings and all the company meets in the parlors. One of two songs are sung, a short prayer is offered, "God be with you till we meet again" is sung, the President says "I hope you have had a pleasant Christmas, Good Night". Slowly all go, the young ladies up stairs to their rooms and the young men out of the front door to their own Hall which is about a quarter of a mile from the young ladies' hall. Do you wonder that they, some of them, say this is the happiest Christmas that I have ever had. One young man last year who saw the breakfast celebration was so overcome that he sat at the table speechless and could hardly eat from pure delight.

As nearly all of the young people are poor and have never seen anything of this sort, it makes as happy a company of young people as one often sees.

But I must not forget one other thing. We have a mission S. S. held in one of our chapels where the young people of the University led by their teachers gather the poor children of the neighborhood Sunday after Sunday. At Christmas time a concert some like yours is held and the little ones say Christmas pieces and sing Christmas songs and as they go out each one has a little bag of candy and a picture given them. Kind friends in the North furnish the gifts and although they cost very little, they make the little children very happy. The happiest ones of all are the young people who make the little ones joyful.

Perhaps I ought to tell also of a Christmas which is held in the training school. This is a part of the University in which the little children of the neighborhood are taught each day of the school year by young people who are in Fisk University to learn to become teachers. Kind friends in Fall River in this State send early in the Autumn a box of little presents to be put upon a tree. Other friends send boxes of pieces of cloth, out of which the little children by working all the fall are able to make each one for his father and mother some little gift which is hung on the tree for the night that Santa Claus comes to Fisk. The room is crowded, the parents of the children about as eager as the children themselves to get a gift from Santa. There have been pieces said and songs sung, when all at once bells are heard and a rosy checked santa with a long beard, dressed in a fur coat, comes and says, "How do you, children, have you all been good this year?" Some say yes, we have been good, while a few of the least ones can't help feeling that it is a real Santa and cry out with fear and delight.

Hustle, Santa's Coming

Better put your best foot forward in the next few days, for if you don't the old Gentleman 'with the flowing beard, commonly known as Santa Claus, will be stepping on your heels before you are ready to turn around to match his armfuls with your mite.

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ESSEX STREET

"Red Hills" Sold

The celebrated estate known as "Red Hills" situated on North street and the Andover road, North Reading, has been sold to the New England Kennel Bureau, Inc. This estate, which was long the residence of Bryon Chandler, the young millionaire, contains fifty-seven acres of land and an imposing colonial mansion which contained the famous Dutch billiard room with the largest fireplace in New England.

This estate was sold to Mr. Chandler some years ago and he spent a large sum of money improving the property. The stable, garage, windmill, kennels, poultry-plant, golf links and tennis courts combine to make this one of the most complete country residences in New England.

The New England Kennel Bureau will establish there a country club and kennels for breeding fine stock, besides a hospital for the care of the animals. They will also provide all the conveniences for golf, tennis and trap shooting and will arrange to entertain automobile parties. A large sum will be spent in improvements.

Notes from the Baptist Church

On Christmas eve, many people, young and old, gathered in the church, made festive for the occasion with streamers of red, and green, and white, and its two Christmas trees. The supper in the vestry was greatly appreciated by all, as was the entertainment which followed, in the audience room. These exercises consisted of recitations, and music by the children and by the quartette.

Then came the chief event of the evening, the distribution of gifts. As "The Red and Blue Contest" has greatly increased the membership of all branches of the Sunday School, thus delighting the workers, the number of candy bags and gifts was somewhat larger than usual. Santa Claus, most wonderful to the eyes of the wee folks, was joyfully welcomed, and the work and pleasure went merrily on till the trees were bare of their winter fruit. Some of the presents had to be opened on the platform, and these surprises caused much amusement and pleasure, especially when Deacon Stone found, at the very centre of a large package, a small box containing a twenty dollar gold piece, a gift from the church and friends, in appreciation of his services as organist, and his ever faithful work in the church.

At the Christian Endeavor Missionary meeting last Sunday evening, a special program, entitled, "Christmas in Heathen Lands", was carried out. A good number attended the service, and all were glad to hear of the way in which other peoples and mission schools celebrate December 25.

Advertised Letters

Unclaimed letters Dec. 28, 1908.
Kelley, Mary Bryer, James A. (M. D.)
Adams, Wm. R. Nobler, Mary L.
Bjorkgren, Gustave Cushing, L. H.
Snow, H. A.
ARTHUR BLISS, P.M.

Marriage

In Andover, Saturday evening, December 26th, Lester Hilton and Miss Elizabeth Ross.

All Andover men who are interested are invited to attend a talk by State Chemist Harry W. Clark, on "The Story of Public Water Supplies", illustrated by the stereopticon, at the North Andover club next Sunday afternoon at 3.30. The 3.15 car from Andover square on the Andover & Haverhill line will get Andover men to the club house on time. Any such who attend should leave the car minutes walk will take them to the club house. This is one of a series of informal Sunday afternoon talks which are proving very popular.

Weather Record

Temperature taken in the morning between 5 and 7 o'clock and at noon between 12 and 1 o'clock

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